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Ward 5, John E. Yerxa, 3 Fairfield st.
Ward 6, John B. Wenzler, 514 East Broadway.
Ward 7, John J. McColgan, 23 Col. Michael J. McDonough Way.
Ward 8, William F. Hurley, 76 Mt. Pleasant ave.
Ward 9, (sitting until August 6, 1951, Daniel F. Sullivan, 9 Highland st.) Laurence H. Banks, 23 Haskins st.
Ward 10, Francis P. Tracey, 66 Calumet st.
Ward 11, Philip A. Tracy, 49 Atherton st.
Ward 12, Milton Cook, 168 Ruthven st.
Ward 13, Thomas J. Hannon, 15 Hartford st.
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Ward 17, Anthony J. Farin, 7 Packard ave.
Ward 18, Michael H. Cantwell, 4 Violante st.
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CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Tuesday, January 2, 1951.

First meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 A.M., Councilor WENZLER, Senior Member, presiding, and all the members present.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

ESCORT TO MAYOR HYNES.

Chairman WENZLER. His Honor, Mayor John B. Hynes, will deliver his annual address at 11.15 A.M. The Chair will therefore appoint Councilors Shanley and Coffey to escort the Mayor to the Council Chamber.

The Chair now declares a short recess while we await the arrival of his Honor the Mayor.

(Short Recess.)

The committee appointed to escort Mayor Hynes to the Chamber retired and presently returned in company with the Mayor who was greeted with applause upon his entrance.

Chairman WENZLER. Members of the City Council, invited and honored guests, I am pleased to present his Honor, Mayor John B. Hynes, who will now deliver his annual address. Mayor Hynes.

ANNUAL ADDRESS OF HON. JOHN B. HYNES, MAYOR OF BOSTON.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

By tradition, this annual address, coming at the halfway point in my administration as Mayor of Boston, is devoted to a report of what has been accomplished during the year just ended, and an outline of the plans it is proposed to undertake in this year which has just begun.

In the space of a single year, the major problem of our city, as a result of the critical developments in world conditions, has changed from one of post-war planning to one of preparing to meet the threat of another war, and to setting up safeguards for the protection of the lives of our citizens in the event of enemy attack.

Our ordinary problems have been overshadowed by the emergency confronting our nation, and by the danger to our freedom and our way of life.

To a very great extent the course of our city in this year of 1951 will be shaped by events and developments far beyond our control. Our first responsibility will be to cooperate to the fullest possible extent in the national defense program. That, of course, is a duty which transcends all other obligations.

Whether we can carry forward all the plans which ordinarily would be undertaken this year will depend on the demands the defense program makes upon us in the matter of funds, materials, and manpower.

These are difficult times, fraught with uncertainty, and it would be foolhardy at this point for anyone to forecast what the future has in store for us. Our city, come what may, must be prepared to discharge its full responsibility in any crisis which may confront us as a nation.

In giving an account of my stewardship during my first year as Mayor of Boston, it should be pointed out that the results of many of my efforts are not readily discernible.

Because of the spending policies of the previous administration, and the condition in which the city's finances were left, we were in no position during the past year to spend money for anything but the most essential purposes, and, indeed, we are still coping with a legacy of staggering, inherited debts.

A large part of my energy has been directed to placing the city on a sounder and stronger financial footing, a task that has been far from easy because of the commitments made prior to my administration, and because we are, and will be, paying off old debts for a long time to come.

Public improvements proposed during the year were considered in the light of the city's financial condition and the strain they would impose upon the already heavily burdened taxpayers.

Despite the handicaps under which we have worked, a great deal has been accomplished in the space of a single year. In my inaugural just a year ago today, I stated that aside from the city's financial condition the two problems to which I would give my greatest attention were housing and traffic.

HOUSING.

Our housing shortage is in the process of being overcome. Homes for 485 families of veterans were provided in five housing developments completed and occupied during 1950.

Four big developments now in process of construction in the South End, Brighton, Roslindale, and Hyde Park will be ready for occupancy during 1951 and will accommodate 1,646 families.

Work is scheduled to start very soon on a project at Orient Heights, East Boston, which will contain 354 dwelling units.

In the planning stage are four proposed developments with accommodations for 1,451 apartments, financed with state credit, and six developments to be built with federal funds, to provide 4,124 apartments.

How many of those projects now being planned will actually be built in 1951 will depend on whether federal restrictions are placed on building materials.

Plans have been launched to provide new homes for the families of veterans now quartered in temporary dwellings in Dorchester and South Boston. It was not originally intended that those units should serve more than a brief emergency period. In some respects they are unsuited to withstand our unpredictable winters, and the expense involved in making the repairs and renovations necessary to extend their use cannot be entirely justified. I am hopeful that the families now housed in the temporary developments will be transferred to more comfortable quarters before another winter.

PARKING AND TRAFFIC.

Satisfactory progress can be reported in the city's off-street parking program intended to remove automobiles from our heavily traveled and tightly congested downtown streets. To provide the parking facilities which will be needed to cope with this critical problem a bill has been filed for the consideration of the incoming Legislature asking authorization to float a second $5,000,000 bond issue. Such a loan would be retired with the funds realized from the operation of the proposed garages and will not place any additional financial burden upon the taxpayers of our city.

Construction of the first garage built under our off-street parking program was completed during the past year. Located at Lincoln and Essex streets, it provides accommodations for 360 automobiles, and with the normal turnover takes a much larger number of cars off the street in the course of a day. The city receives a minimum of $52,000 per year for the rental of that garage, or 50 per cent of the gross receipts, depending on which amount is greater. A schedule of reasonable rates was fixed for the purpose of attracting motorists, and particularly shoppers, who can park their cars for two hours for a 30-cent payment.

Plans have been completed for the erection of a second garage at Winthrop square, where two floors will be below ground and one above it, with a landscaped roof, and the Real Estate Board now is preparing to advertise for bids for this facility.

An area of 60,000 square feet of land recently was acquired in the district bounded by Congress, Milk, Pearl, and Franklin streets, and plans are being drafted for the construction of a garage on this site with spaces for 700 cars.

To provide needed parking facilities in the Copley Square section of the Back Bay, the Real Estate Commission has just taken by eminent domain 54,800 square feet of land bounded by St. James avenue, Arlington, Clarendon, and Berkeley streets, where it is intended to build a garage which will accommodate 600 automobiles.

Not only has the original $5,000,000 authorized by the Legislature been entirely allocated, but plans are in readiness, if permission is granted by the General Court, for floating a further bond issue.

To discourage all-day parking, 3,200 additional parking meters were installed during the year in

areas where traffic studies indicated an improvement in the general parking picture would result.

A number of changes in the downtown traffic pattern were made during the year by the Traffic Commission with a view to lessening the congestion and speeding up the flow of automobile travel. One of the most notable of these was the establishment of a huge, rotary-like flow of travel around the Public Garden.

It hardly needs to be stated that many of Boston's most heavily used thoroughfares, particularly those in the older sections of the city, were not designed to accommodate the tremendous present-day load of traffic. But, it is obviously impossible to remake the face of the city, and we have undertaken to meet this problem realistically, appreciating that if Boston is to survive as a great city and go ahead it must provide for the automobile, and not be choked by it.

The parking and traffic problem which seemed almost hopeless a year or two ago now appears nearer solution. When our off-street parking program is completed and the underground garage is built beneath Boston Common, we will have provided the parking facilities needed to clear our streets of cars, which, for lack of such facilities, now impede the flow of travel.

In addition, means will be provided to get in and out of the city without loss of time. The new Storrow Parkway along the Charles River in the Back Bay, a part of which is already open to the public, will be a great boon to Boston. Two contracts have been awarded for the construction of the first phase of the long-awaited central artery across the downtown district which, in time, will take through traffic off our intown streets.

May I, at this point, on behalf of the people of Boston, express my thanks to His Excellency, Governor Paul A. Dever, and the State Administration, for recognizing our major traffic problem and for cooperating with municipal officials to overcome it, by the construction of traffic arteries in our city which will cost in the vicinity of $75,000,000, a sum of money which the city government, of, and by itself, could not possibly afford to spend.

Civilian Defense.

Perhaps our most solemn responsibility as elected officials of this city is to establish every possible safeguard and precaution for the protection of the lives of our civilian population in the event of enemy attack. Whether such an attack ever will come is beyond our power to predict. We all pray that it will not, and that our efforts in this direction will be unnecessary.

But, it would be negligence on our part to disregard the state of emergency recently declared by the President of the United States, and the Governor of this Commonwealth, or to fail to take any measure that would afford safety for our citizens if war comes and our city should be subjected to attack from the air.

Boston has been designated by the military as one of the nation's critical areas, as one of the targets at which an enemy raid might be directed in time of war.

We have followed the leadership of Governor Dever, and are now in the process of setting up as complete a civilian defense program as possible. How expensive it may be I am unable to state, because I do not know what problems we may face tomorrow, next week, or next month.

To the very best of our ability we will be prepared for any eventuality, and with the help of the state and national government everything within our power will be done to safeguard the lives of our men, women, and children.

During the year a Director of Civilian Defense was appointed and an Advisory Council on Civilian Defense created. The director is now in the process of establishing an efficient working organization that could be pressed into service promptly in the event of an emergency. Thousands of volunteers are being enrolled as auxiliary police and firemen and for other vital work. Our air raid sirens are being rehabilitated and other machinery put into working order.

This added activity may well place a heavy strain upon our city treasury, but I am sure that the people of Boston will agree that we have no alternative and no choice but to go ahead with the program we have started. If war should come, I believe our city will have one of the most efficient civilian defense setups of any municipality in the country.

Public Works Department.

Some of the most gratifying accomplishments during the first year of my administration as Mayor have been achieved in the Public Works Department.

One of my pledges a year ago was that I would endeavor in every possible way to obtain a full dollar of value for each dollar spent of the people's money.

Despite the upward trend in the cost of most phases of city government, we have been able to reduce the expense of some municipal activities without lowering in any way the standard of service performed for the people of Boston.

A specific example is the fact that the total cost of the contracts recently awarded for the collection and disposal of rubbish and refuse during 1951 was $193,368 less than the expense of the similar contracts executed a little over a year ago by the previous administration, this despite the fact that the contractors will be required to pay 12 cents more per hour for their labor this year than they did in 1950.

One of my first steps after taking office a year ago was to renegotiate these contracts and secure a saving of $67,406 for our taxpayers. A further reduction has been realized for this year. In addition, we have entered into an agreement with a concern which will pay the city $36,000 a year for garbage, which in the past the city paid to have hauled down the harbor in scows.

Those are among the steps which have helped to achieve a more efficient and economical management of the city's affairs even though, unfortunately, they are not reflected in a lower tax rate.

The monopoly maintained for years by a small group of contractors in the rubbish-collection work has been broken by the award of contracts to two companies which have not hitherto performed this work, but which seem qualified to render proper service to the public and at a lower price than was paid last year. That should lead to more spirited competition in the future which will enure to the city's benefit.

To meet the problem created by the shortage of land dumps and the fact that in some districts of the city the only dumps available are owned or controlled by private contracting companies, a complete study of the disposal problem is now being made by a leading firm of consulting engineers, and its report will serve to guide our future activities in this direction.

Earlier this year, it was reported to me by the Boston Finance Commission that in 1949 certain contractors had been paid many thousands of dollars by the city for highway construction work which they did not perform. The alleged violations occurred prior to my administration.

Court action has been started by the City Law Department to recover any moneys which should be returned to the city for work not performed, and safeguards have been instituted by the Public Works Commissioner to assure that all such work is now done in accordance with contract specifications and that the city gets full value for its money.

An Automotive Division has been set up in the Public Works Department, making possible closer control and more efficient use of our motor equipment and reducing losses of equipment and parts.

A saving of at least $100,000 a year will be realized in due time from the introduction of a mobile patrol to replace the old system of having watchmen assigned to the various district yards.

The Water Division, operated in a highly efficient manner, will show a surplus for the year of about $350,000, according to estimates.

A progressive improvement in our street lighting has been accomplished, which should result in fewer accidents to pedestrians, and serve to reduce crime on poorly illuminated streets. A total of 1,200 old-fashioned gas lamps were replaced by electric lights, representing the biggest change of its kind *ever effected* in a single year. Carrying this program further, it is planned to replace an additional 1,500 lamps this year.

A large number of our streets were resurfaced or rebuilt. Six of the biggest projects were financed jointly by the city and the state, with each paying half the expense. Four miles of downtown streets were resurfaced, the work being done at night and over week ends, in order to avoid inconvenience to shoppers and motorists.

We were successful in our efforts to have the Meridian Street Bridge classified as part of a federal route. This will mean that the $3,000,000 expense of building a new span will be divided

between the state, city, and federal government, with a resulting saving of $2,000,000 for the people of Boston.

Health and Hospital Departments.

During the past year, the Health Department was reorganized by ordinance, substantially as recommended by the Finance Commission survey.

A new Health Unit was opened on Blue Hill avenue, opposite Franklin Field, the ninth in the series of such units in our city.

It is notable that in 1950 the death rate was the lowest in the history of the city, and particularly significant is the fact that infants' deaths and deaths from tuberculosis were the lowest ever recorded. This is an achievement to which our Health Department, and our city, may point with pride.

Considerable improvements have been made in the City Hospital during the year just passed.

A new Diabetic Clinic has been established.

A modern Dental Clinic in the Out-Patient Department has been built.

An addition to the Medical Building, and an addition to the Dowling Building are now in process of construction, at a combined cost of close to $400,000.

A new chapel for Protestant worshippers was built and opened during the year, and a similar chapel for Jewish worshippers will be built and opened during 1951.

In process, now, is the installation of a modern business system, by a recognized expert in this field, which, when completed, will result in greater efficiency and the saving of hundreds of thousands of dollars annually.

The City Hospital, one of the best institutions of its kind in the world, has been, and will be kept at the full maximum of efficiency and service for the benefit of the sick and ailing of our city.

A major improvement of far-reaching effect was commenced this year in the building of a viaduct connecting Long Island in Boston Harbor with the mainland at a cost of $2,600,000.

This will make possible improved medical care for the chronic sick and the aged at Long Island Hospital. Medical and surgical specialists will be able to visit the institution without the present loss of time involved in the boat trip.

It will enable the Hospital to secure a Class A rating.

The new bridge will offer many other advantages. It will permit the services of a functioning medical advisory staff. It will make the Hospital easily accessible for visitors, for employees, and for deliveries of goods. It will mean a substantial saving in Hospital costs, and it will, in all probability, result in the development of the Hospital facilities at Long Island, to meet the growing need for such facilities for those of advanced age, and those afflicted with chronic ailments.

Park Department.

During 1950, a new playground was constructed on city-owned land at Gallivan Boulevard and Washington street, Dorchester, to meet recreational needs in this fast growing section of our city.

A significant improvement in this department was the establishment of a small tots' play space at Harrison avenue, adjacent to the Cathedral. Two additional play areas will be created during the year in the highly congested West End section of the city.

The Barry Playground in Charlestown, virtually useless after the construction of the Mystic River Bridge, has been reconstructed at a cost of approximately $60,000. Additional improvements are in view in conjunction with this playground, and efforts will be made to provide further playground facilities in the Charlestown area.

Tennis courts were constructed and other improvements made to the Carter Playground in the Roxbury district, making this playground useful for the first time in many years.

Fire and Building Departments.

A new fire station was opened during the past year in the Orient Heights section of East Boston, providing long-needed additional protection for the people of that district. It was placed in use on November 15.

The new Fire Headquarters and Maintenance Garage Building, now under construction on Southampton street, will be completed and occupied during the coming summer.

Despite the stringency in building materials in the latter part of 1950, because of the national emergency, the year just closed was the best year in the history of the Building Department. The volume of construction, the number of units erected, and the amount of renovations reached higher levels than ever before.

Boston is not dying. In spite of decentralization, it is still a vigorous, growing city, with new opportunities constantly arising.

City Planning.

During the past year, the City Planning Board has been extremely active.

It has devoted much of its time to the preparation of a master plan for the city, which, in preliminary form, will shortly be ready for distribution.

This plan will give, for the first time, a framework which will guide the city's future growth. It will include a survey of the economic base of the city; a study of residential uses; the location of redevelopment areas with population prognostications; a transportation plan, and the future need for schools and recreational facilities.

In addition to this master plan, the Board is developing a capital improvement program which will set forth the needs of the city for the next six years.

When these plans and programs are completed, we will have a workable design of great value not only to the city government itself but to those who desire to invest in the future of our city.

A bill filed in the Legislature will expand the power and authority of the City Planning Board. For years, Boston has lagged behind in this most important function of municipal government, with the consequence that our city has not developed with any real thought of the future.

It is my conviction that a vigorous, well-organized, competently staffed Planning Board can be, and should be, one of the chief assets of our city.

Conventions, etc.

Nineteen hundred and fifty was the best convention year in the history of the city. Boston, in my opinion, has never fully taken advantage of its potentialities as one of the most attractive meeting places in our country. It is my hope, through the cooperation of the Convention Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce, to bring more conventions to our city, not alone for the increased business which results from them, but also to impress upon our visitors the various charms and advantages which make Boston unique among the large cities in America.

In this connection, it is wise, in my opinion, to build a suitable and modern auditorium of reasonable size which can be utilized, not only for conventions, but for meetings of various organizations.

Such an auditorium, now a recognized utility in most large cities, is the subject matter of a bill I have submitted to the Legislature. If that Body gives authorization, the auditorium will be built, provided, of course, there is an alleviation in the present state of national emergency.

During 1950, and acting in concert with the Chamber of Commerce, a Clean-Up, and Boston Jubilee Week was eminently successful and served to emphasize once again the fundamental appeal which Boston has for people all over our nation. It obtained for us a vast amount of national good will.

The Christmas Festival, continuing until January 6, marks one of the brightest periods in the modern history of our city.

For the first time, the main shopping streets of the downtown area, and many of the city's scattered shopping areas were decorated and illuminated for the Christmas season.

The Boston Common and Public Garden were the locations for displays in keeping with the spiritual significance of Christmas. For five full weeks, choral groups, representing almost every element in Boston, gave freely of their time and talent to make this past Christmas Season one to be long remembered by our citizens. So successful was our first Christmas Festival, made possible through the generous contributions and help of the Chamber of Commerce, the Retail Trade Board, and various interested individuals, that I recommend it become an annual institution, on even a broader scale, in our city.

Boston Common Garage.

The proposed garage under Boston Common, to be used as a bomb shelter in times of grave danger,

will be built by private enterprise, as called for under existing law, as soon as the Reconstruction Finance Corporation gives final approval to the loan for its construction. I am hopeful that this approval will be forthcoming shortly, so that this dual-purpose facility may become an actuality rather than a dream.

Legislation.

Last year, the Massachusetts Legislature gave approval to all but one of the bills submitted by the city. It is my hope that this year the Legislature will give the same studious attention and cooperative action to the several bills affecting our city which have been filed. Because of the financial problems already confronting the city, it is essential that no bills which entail the expenditure of additional moneys by the city be passed without ample consideration and without providing for subsequent approval by responsible municipal authorities.

School Department.

Various bills have been submitted to the Legislature by school officials, agencies, and alliances which, if enacted into law, would necessitate tax rate increases ranging from at least $1.00 to as high as $3.00. The purpose of these proposed bills is increased compensation for teachers, larger numbers of custodial personnel, etc. I have not had the time to consider the merits of the proposals involved in this legislation, but I feel it necessary to point out that further increases in school appropriations would hardly seem warranted at this time, when there has been no material increase in enrollment in our public schools, and when there are thousands of empty desks and seats in existing school buildings. In the absence of any healthy and positive expansion in our school system, it is difficult to comprehend the necessity for enlarging for the third consecutive year the appropriating power of the School Committee.

Real Estate Valuations.

The main source of the city's income is the levy on real estate. Consequently, the owners of real property bear the heaviest load when the tax rate is high, or when the valuation placed on property is high.

It is our purpose to equitably value each piece of property in our city, but that cannot be accomplished in the period of one, or even two years.

Some of the larger properties in our city have been overvalued for many years, because by such a procedure, a false tax rate could be arrived at. This resulted in a flood of abatements each year, and also made possible a profitable field for certain individuals who specialized in soliciting for tax abatements.

The intent of our assessors is to stabilize and equalize property values; to make fair adjustments where values are palpably high; to discourage tax abatement solicitation, and to bring order out of a situation, which, to say the least, has been chaotic for years.

A start has been made toward stabilizing property valuations.

To eliminate inequities, the Board of Assessors in the year just ended granted tax abatements totaling $4,397,464. This is contrasted with $12,289,609 refunded in 1949 under the previous administration.

Of the abatements allowed during the past year, $1,438,540 was on the 1950 tax levy. Here again we may compare that figure with the $5,500,000 which was refunded in 1949 on the current levy of that year.

While it is impossible to foresee future trends in the real estate market or to predict what conditions may arise by reason of the international situation, it is not the intention of this administration to further burden real estate by taking every advantage of inflationary values.

Financial Outlook.

Our planning for this year, whether it be with respect to matters of magnitude, or otherwise, will be predicated on the state of world conditions. Obviously, if the present emergency situation should worsen, it will be essential that all our activities be pointed in the direction of national security.

Everything that can be deferred will be deferred, and even those activities which now seem so essential must, in event of war, become of secondary importance to the retention of our liberties and our principles of life.

Whatever must be spent for the defense of our population will be spent. Aid will be sought from the state and national governments in the major fields of civil defense expense. Whatever that aid might be, it is, nevertheless, a grim possibility that civil defense can prove to be the major item of municipal expenditure.

When I took office last January, it was plain that a substantial increase in the tax rate was inevitable. It was my hope, however, that in 1951, a reversal of the upward trend might be possible.

That prospect now grows dimmer with each passing month.

The city, like every other corporation, like every householder, is now paying more for everything which it purchases, and for almost everything which it does. Costs are increasing on every hand; and savings, such as were made in the annual costs for removal of ashes and garbage, are quickly swallowed up by other pressing or mandatory requirements.

With no immediate hope of a new income source; with the possibility that the city's share of the state income and corporation tax will be less than in 1950; and with the likelihood that increasing living costs will make a general salary increase for all employees an economic necessity, it is becoming more and more evident that an increase, rather than a decrease in the tax rate, will occur in 1951.

The five-day week for the members of our Police Department, which I favored and which the people approved in the November Election, will cost us in the vicinity of $900,000. Welfare costs mounted by $3,200,000 during the past year, and there is every prospect that these expenses and the expenditures for Veterans' Services will go even higher this year. These are primary responsibilities we must meet.

Every effort will be made to avoid an increase in the present high rate, and economies will be instituted wherever possible. Yet, with costs that are increasing at an alarming rate, and with no new revenues to offset such costs, it is manifest that the 1951 tax rate will not be lower than the present figure.

During the past few years the tax rate of the city, by the use of various expedients, was not always a true rate.

Whatever the tax rate for 1951 may be, it will be an authentic rate. I will devise no schemes, and adopt no artifices to present a fictitious tax rate, which will eventually make worse a situation now far from bright.

Since the financial accounts of the city for 1950 have not yet been closed, it is not possible to present at this time a full financial report on the year just ended. Two accomplishments, however, are worthy of comment.

In the face of all the financial problems confronting the city, a reduction of $1,000,000 was achieved in our net debt. This was particularly gratifying for it halted the upward trend which has seen the city debt climb steadily for the past four years.

An all-time high record was achieved this year in the percentage of taxes collected. This reflects a confidence on the part of the taxpayers in their city government, and is a creditable record on the part of the office of the City Collector.

Conclusion.

To conclude this report, may I state that in the course of the past year, and in several directions, considerable progress has been made in the administration of our municipal government.

Unless abnormal conditions prevent it, that same course will be followed in 1951.

In any event, my administration will continue its policy of doing, within our limitations, and within our lights, what is best for our city and for our citizens.

Finally, to the members of the City Council, may I say, we have had pleasant relations during the past year. I hope they will continue. Each of us has a grave responsibility. I ask for your continued help and cooperation in bearing my responsibilities. I assure you of my help and cooperation in the bearing of your responsibilities.

Let us, each of us, do our best for our city. No more can be expected of us. Anything less, in these extremely trying times, would not be worthy of the trust reposed in us.

During this year of 1951 — may God be with us — as He was with our fathers. (Applause.)

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Chairman WENZLER. Thank you, Mr. Mayor, for a very fine address. The Chair now

appoints Councilors Beades and F. P. Tracey to escort his Honor from the Chamber. There will now be a short recess until the return of the councilors escorting the Mayor.

(Short Recess.)

Chairman WENZLER. The Council will be in order. The Chair awaits the pleasure of the Body.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL.

Coun. SULLIVAN moved that the Council proceed to the election of a President for the year 1951. The motion was carried.

The Clerk called the roll, with the following result:

For William F. Hurley—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Coffey, Cook, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—15.

For Philip A. Tracy—Councilors Beades, Farin, Lanigan, Yerxa—4.

For Milton Cook—Councilor Chase—1.

Voting Present—Councilors Hannon, P. A. Tracy—2.

Chairman WENZLER announced that 15 votes had been cast for Councilor Hurley and that he was elected President for the year 1951.

Chairman WENZLER appointed Councilors Shanley and Coffey to escort President-Elect William F. Hurley to the chair.

President HURLEY expressed his thanks to the members of the Council in electing him as President for the year 1951. (Applause.)

LOAN OF $60,000,000 IN ANTICIPATION OF REVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 2, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the City Auditor. In accordance with the recommendation contained therein I submit herewith an order authorizing the issuance during 1951 of temporary notes in anticipation of revenue to an amount not exceeding $60,000,000. I respectfully recommend adoption of this order by your honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Auditing Department,
January 2, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

It is customary to submit to the City Council at its first meeting in the New Year an order authorizing the issuance as needed during the year of temporary loans in anticipation of revenue receipts. In the light of the experience of last year it would seem desirable that an authorization of $60,000,000 should be secured for 1951. I respectfully recommend that an order in this amount be submitted to the City Council for consideration and adoption.

Respectfully,
CHARLES J. FOX, City Auditor.

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Ordered, That to provide temporarily money to meet the appropriations for the financial year 1951, the City Treasurer be, and hereby is, authorized to issue and sell, at such times and in such amounts as he may deem best, notes or certificates of indebtedness of the City of Boston, not exceeding $60,000,000 in the total, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year; that all such notes or certificates of indebtedness be made payable with the interest thereon within one year of their date and bear interest from their date until the same are made payable at such rate as the City Treasurer and the Mayor may determine. The said City Treasurer is hereby further authorized to renew or refund any such notes issued for a shorter period than one year, under the provisions of section 17 of chapter 44 of the General Laws.

On motion of Councilor Coffey the rules were suspended and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 22, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—22.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned to the next meeting for final action.

PRINTING OF MUNICIPAL REGISTER, ETC.

President HURLEY submitted the following:

Ordered, That the Statistics Department be authorized, under the direction of the Committee on Rules, to prepare and have printed the Municipal Register for the current year; and that the Clerk of Committees be authorized to prepare and have printed a pocket edition of the organization of the city government; the expense of said register and organization to be charged to the appropriation for City Documents.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NOTICE FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Copy of order of the Department of Public Utilities was received approving petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for approval of altered plan and revised estimates of cost of an addition to and alteration in the Tremont Street Subway, and alterations in Scollay Square, Park Street, and Boylston Street Stations, as provided in section 2 of chapter 649 of the Acts of 1949.

Placed on file.

NOTICE FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Certified copy was received from the State Department of Public Works of plan and location of new or existing way in Boston as a state highway (location for portion of proposed Boston Central Artery, extending from limit of tideland on northeasterly side of Charles River, in a general northeasterly direction about one-half mile).

Placed on file.

RELEASE OF INTEREST IN LAND IN WOBURN TO GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION.

President HURLEY called up No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for release of all right, title and interest in land in City of Woburn to General Motors Corporation for $1.00, etc.

On December 11, 1950, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 15, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 22, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—22.

Nays—0.

ADEQUATE SCHOOL AND PLAYGROUND ACCOMMODATIONS IN HOUSING PROJECTS, WARD 18.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the members of the Boston Housing Authority, School Committee, Park Commission, City Planning Board, and the City

Councilor from the district, with a view to devising ways and means of providing adequate school and playground accommodations for children living in housing projects which already have been, and are still to be, constructed in Ward 18.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RETENTION OF STREET SWEEPERS IN WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to retain the three street sweepers in Ward 17. The reason for this is to prevent the Public Works Commissioner from taking these men away at the first sign of snow which would leave Ward 17 in a terrible plight. These men serve throughout the entire year and they serve well. They are needed during the snowy weather to prevent clogged sewers and crosswalks.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

President HURLEY appointed Councilor Ramsey as temporary chairman of the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Kinsella, the Council voted at 12.43 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 1.12 P.M.

Adjourned at 1.13 P.M., on motion of Councilor Bryan, to meet on Monday, January 8, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

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CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, January 8, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Coffey.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

President HURLEY announced the appointment of members of the Committee on Confirmations as follows: Councilors Ansel, Cantwell, and Sullivan. Councilor Ansel as chairman.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor McColgan presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Forty-nine traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear February 5, 1951:

Clarence N. Frovold, Ward 1; John L. Kilduff, Ward 1; John Miraldi, Ward 1; Fred P. Sawyer, Ward 2; Cese Ciampaglia, Ward 3; Robert Moy, Ward 3; Peter Russo, Ward 3; Michael J. Cahill, Ward 4; Leo D. Crowley, Ward 4; Carleton C. Staples, Ward 4; Walter McAuliffe, Ward 5; Nathan Spack, Ward 5; Peter J. Watson, Jr., Ward 5; Bernard J. Zetlan, Ward 5; Joseph W. Toff, Ward 6; Peter G. Veracka, Ward 6; Joseph F. Kebartas, Ward 7; Patrick Duffy, Ward 8; David Nastop, Ward 8; James F. Gormley, Ward 9; Joseph F. Walsh, Ward 10; James A. Cady, Ward 11; John F. Kenney, Ward 11; Edward J. Mulligan, Ward 11; George A. Willis, Ward 11.

John R. Chisholm, Ward 12; Stephen M. Dillon, Ward 12; Ralph B. Reed, Ward 12; Solomon Slabine, Ward 12; Thomas A. Benson, Ward 13; Thomas J. Moran, Ward 13; Samuel Glick, Ward 14; Harry Richman, Ward 14; Leo Schlosberg, Ward 14; John J. Carr, Ward 15; Fred J. Wallace, Ward 15; John K. Walton, Ward 15; Herbert G. Ohrenberger, Ward 16; John F. Thornton, Jr., Ward 16; William F. Fahey, Ward 17; Francis L. McNamara, Ward 17; William B. Johnson, Ward 18; Frank L. Sheehan, Ward 18; John P. Stonis, Ward 18; Frank N. Ferrone, Ward 19; William F. Haverty, Ward 19; Bernard F. Kelly, Ward 21; Bernard S. Rosser, Ward 21; John J. Murray, Ward 22.

One hundred fifty-four traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear February 5, 1951:

Thomas L. Cahill, Ward 1; John A. Joyce, Ward 1; Amedeo Masucci, Ward 1; Richard Milano, Ward 1; Gabriel Thomas Olga, Ward 1; Ervis D. Sheets, Ward 1; Elwin E. Smith, Ward 1; Angelo J. Staffier, Ward 1; Joseph E. Cunio, Ward 2; William B. Small, Ward 2; Joseph D. Sullivan, Ward 2; Malcolm B. Baker, Ward 3; Lawrence W. Goulart, Ward 3; Samuel Hesed, Ward 3; Thomas J. Killilea, Ward 3; John J. McIntire, Ward 3; Michael Sarcurio, Ward 3; Gennaro V. Spagnuolo, Ward 3; James J. Vaughn, Ward 3; Frank S. Fraser, Ward 4; James H. Lewis, Ward 4; John J. Maloney, Ward 4; Clarence A. Poingdester, Ward 4; Stanley Rogers, Ward 4; John P. Brady, Ward 5; James Cotton, Ward 5; John P. Downey, Ward 5; James Parker Hammond, Ward 5; Knud N. Knudsen, Ward 5; George J. Neault, Ward 5; Jeremiah J. O'Callaghan, Ward 5; Roy E. Sherman, Ward 5; John A. Coleman, Ward 6; Charles J. Fay, Ward 6; Robert J. Herr, Ward 6; Robert W. Holland, Ward 6; Edward J. Leahy, Ward 6; Richard J. Muscato, Ward 6; Francis E. Port, Ward 6; James E. Welsh, Ward 6; John V. Kavaljian, Ward 7; Arthur J. Pottie, Ward 7; John J. Reardon, Ward 7; Thomas F. Sullivan, Ward 7; Joseph A. Woods, Ward 7; David A. Yeomans, Ward 7; Edward J. Cremin, Ward 8; Eugene Daniels, Ward 8; Edward H. Flood, Ward 8; Joseph D. McGinty, Ward 8; William F. O'Reilly, Ward 8; Frank P. Calarese, Ward 9; Clive Hubbard, Ward 9; John J. Kroon, Ward 9; Edward S. Miller, Ward 9; Raymond Mitchell, Ward 9.

Thomas Joseph Nilan, Ward 9; Charles H. Cotto, Ward 10; John J. Flaherty, Ward 10; Robert E. Nichols, Ward 10; Michael E. Coyne, Ward 11; James J. Cunningham, Ward 11; Waldemar J. Darles, Ward 11; Matthew Gavin, Ward 11; Thomas McStowe, Ward 11; William A. Morgan, Ward 11; Bernard J. Starr, Ward 11; Francis J. Driscoll, Ward 12; Warren A. Felton, Ward 12; Samuel J. Green, Ward 12; Arthur LaCasse, Ward 12; Frank F. Cincotta, Ward 13; Frank P. Coughlin, Ward 13; James Douglas, Ward 13; James W. E. Mullin, Ward 13; Peter J. Ruth, Ward 13; Thomas P. Carroll, Ward 14; Joseph Epstein, Ward 14; Nathan R. Giller, Ward 14; Louis Gillette, Ward 14; Philip Glassman, Ward 14; Charles Kesselman, Ward 14; John J. Sullivan, Ward 14; Joseph E. Tarbox, Ward 14; William R. Turnbull, Ward 14; Percy Dean, Ward 15; David J. Dodd, Ward 15; Joseph E. Dunk, Ward 15; Patrick J. Gavin, Ward 15; James Harrington, Ward 15; James R. Oakes, Ward 15; Thomas J. Dunlap, Ward 16; Charles W. Hutchinson, Ward 16; Thomas F. McNulty, Ward 16; Albert F. Ripley, Ward 16; Vito Corrao, Ward 17; Joseph E. Dwyer, Ward 17; David S. Fox, Ward 17; George F. Fuller, Ward 17; William Irwin, Ward 17; Archibald James MacNeil, Ward 17; Leo J. McDonald, Ward 17; Hugh G. Murphy, Ward 17; Allan Nicoll, Ward 17; George Solow, Ward 17; John F. Sullivan, Ward 17; Joseph E. Chaisson, Ward 18; John D. Conners, Jr., Ward 18; John A. Dare, Ward 18; Joseph F. Geary, Ward 18; Charles Goldberg, Ward 18; Denis McLaughlin, Ward 18; Curtiss W. Merriman, Ward 18; Timothy T. O'Donnell, Ward 18; Charles O. Shaw, Ward 18; Reinhard Max Stopp, Ward 18; John E. Daly, Ward 19; Martin F. Faherty, Ward 19.

Edward J. Gaughan, Ward 19; Louis C. Hornow, Ward 19; Thomas P. J. Lennon, Ward 19; John A. MacLellan, Ward 19; Thomas H. Milne, Ward 19; Donald D. Baker, Ward 20; William P. Connors, Ward 20; Arthur M. Deraney, Ward 20; Richard W. Dresser, Ward 20; John A. Fiore, Ward 20; John J. Mulvee, Ward 20; John F. Murray, Ward 20; John H. O'Keefe, Ward 20; Carl B. Peters, Ward 20; Samuel S. Boland, Ward 21; Reginald S. Bowser, Ward 21; William Brady, Ward 21; Julius S. Canner, Ward 21; Peter J. Cavanaugh, Ward 21; Leroy A. Davis, Ward 21; Hyman Gordon, Ward 21; Roger L. Kaye, Ward 21; George Laskin, Ward 21; Jacob T. Long, Ward 21; John J. Lyons, Ward 21; Paul Abramson, Ward 22; Francis J. Breslin, Ward 22; Fauad Mitri Cahaly, Ward 22; Louis Carpenter, Ward 22; James J. Downey, Ward 22; Michael R. Kinsella, Ward 22; Adam Kozlowski, Ward 22; Dennis A. Madigan, Ward 22; Frank Oster, Ward 22; Winfield S. Scott, Ward 22, Carl F. Wolfrum, Ward 22.

APPOINTMENT OF OWEN A. GALLAGHER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 8, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Under the provisions of section 26L of the Housing Authority Law of the Commonwealth (as inserted in chapter 121 of the General Laws and as amended by section 1 of chapter 574 of the Acts of 1946), I hereby appoint Owen A. Gallagher, 17 Ocean street, Dorchester, to be a member of the Boston Housing Authority for the term expiring January 8, 1956, vice John J. Coleman, term expired.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That the appointment by his Honor the Mayor of Owen A. Gallagher to be a member of the Boston Housing Authority for the term expiring January 8, 1956, be, and hereby is, confirmed and approved.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

ADDITION TO JAMES J. CHITTICK SCHOOL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 8, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Assistant Secretary of the School Committee of the City of Boston relative to your order of October 23, 1950, concerning the erection of an addition to the James J. Chittick School in Mattapan.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
School Committee, December 29, 1950.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

At the conference of the School Committee on December 27, 1950, I was directed to send to the City Council, through you, the attached report of the Board of Apportionment on the order of the City Council requesting the School Committee, through his Honor the Mayor, to provide for the erection of an addition to the James J. Chittick School in Hyde Park, which is self-explanatory.

Report in triplicate is sent herewith.

Very truly yours,
Agnes E. Reynolds,
Assistant Secretary.

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City of Boston,
School Committee, December 26, 1950.

Memorandum for the Superintendent:

Under date of December 7, the School Committee referred to the Board of Apportionment the attached order of the City Council requesting the School Committee, through his Honor the Mayor, to provide for the erection of an addition to the James J. Chittick School in Hyde Park.

The Board of Apportionment respectfully reports that it has under consideration the advisability of recommending an addition to this building in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary L. O'Brien,
Clerk, Board of Apportionment.

Placed on file.

CITY ELECTION DAY A CITY HOLIDAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 8, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Election Commissioners relative to your order of December 18, 1950, concerning the taking of proper steps to have the Legislature enact legislation which will permit the City of Boston to declare City Election Day a city holiday.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Election Department, December 28, 1950.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that I have forwarded City Council order of December 18, 1950, requesting this Board to take proper steps to have the Legislature enact legislation which will permit the City of Boston to declare City Election Day a city holiday, to the Law Department.

I am enclosing copy of my letter which I have this day addressed to the Corporation Counsel.

Very truly yours,
Joseph Russo, Chairman.

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City of Boston,
Election Department, December 28, 1950.

William L. Baxter, Esq., Corporation Counsel,
11 Beacon Street, Boston.
Dear Sir:

I am forwarding to you City Council order of December 18, 1950, requesting this Board to take proper steps to have the Legislature enact legislation which will permit the City of Boston to declare City Election Day a city holiday.

We are advising the City Council of our action in forwarding this communication to you, as such bill would have to be drawn up by your office, and will have to be admitted by Rules.

This Board will appreciate any action you can take on this matter.

Very truly yours,
Joseph Russo, Chairman.

Placed on file.

CLEARING SNOW FROM SKATING AREAS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 8, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Park Commissioners relative to your order of December 28, 1950, concerning the recreation division devising some system whereby they either clear the snow from the skating areas under the Boston Park System or to work out a plan with the Fire Department to reflood the skating areas after a snowstorm.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, January 4, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order introduced by Councilor Shanley requesting that the Park Commissioner devise a system whereby the snow is cleared from skating areas operated by the Park Department.

We endeavor to maintain our skating areas in a satisfactory and first-class manner. Of course, after an area has been frozen if an exceedingly heavy snowstorm develops it is impossible for us to plow off the entire area, because snow removal from the highways and parkways must be our first consideration.

However, we do, as soon as possible, plow part of an area for skating after a snowstorm.

We will look into the matter as to the possibility of the Fire Department reflooding skating areas as suggested by the councilor.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

SHELTERS IN L STREET BATHS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 8, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Park Commissioners relative to your order of December 28, 1950, concerning the installing of shelters within the L Street baths for the convenience of the bathers.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, January 4, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order, dated December 28, introduced by Councilor McColgan, requesting the installation of shelters within the L Street baths for the convenience of the bathers.

This matter will require a survey, and we will make an investigation as to the possibility of complying with this request.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REPAIRING FENCE AT L STREET BATHS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 8, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Park Commissioners relative to your order of December 28, 1950, concerning repairing the fence at the L Street baths, which was damaged by the recent heavy windstorms.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, January 4, 1951.

Thomas P. McCusker,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order, dated December 28, and introduced by Councilor McColgan, requesting the repair of the fence at the L Street baths, which was damaged by the recent heavy windstorms.

Funds for this work have been placed in our budget and if they are approved we will proceed with the work.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING COBBLESTONES, BROADWAY AND DORCHESTER STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 8, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the General Manager of the Metropolitan Transit Authority relative to your order of December 4, 1950, concerning placing a smooth surface on the cobblestones at the juncton of Broadway and Dorchester street, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
January 5, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of December 6, 1950, with order of City Council, requesting that a smooth surface be placed on the cobblestones at the junction of Broadway and Dorchester street, Ward 6, I would say that the tracks at this location are in good condition, and the entire track area, including the dummy strip is paved with grouted granite blocks, which is also in good condition.

No repairs to the track itself are required.

Therefore, under section 89, chapter 161 of the General Laws, which now applies to the Metropolitan Transit Authority, the replacing of the granite block paving in the track area is the responsibility of the City of Boston.

Yours very truly,
EDWARD DANA, General Manager.

Placed on file.

RESTRICTION OF PARKING TO ONE SIDE OF STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 8, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of December 4, 1950, requesting that the feasibility of restricting parking to one side of streets in certain areas throughout the city be considered.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
December 27, 1950.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With further reference to City Council order of December 4, requesting that the feasibility of restricting parking to one side of streets in certain areas throughout the city be considered, I wish to report that this matter was discussed at a meeting of the Traffic Commission and that further consideration is being given to this matter.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF ROTARY CIRCLE IN ANDREW SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 8, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of December 4, 1950, concerning the rotary circle in Andrew square being removed.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
December 27, 1950.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With further reference to City Council order of December 4, requesting that the rotary circle in Andrew square be removed, I wish to report that this matter was discussed at the last meeting of our Commission.

It is expected that the Maguire Associates will make a recommendation concerning this intersection which will be of special interest, and this report is expected within a few weeks.

The removal of the traffic circle will require an expenditure by the MTA of several thousand dollars and therefore, before this expenditure is recommended, it is considered advisable to have all of the recommendations concerning the relief of Andrew square traffic on hand.

Several agencies have investigated this area, and several plans for relief have been proposed. That which the Maguire Associates will suggest therefor shall be a summary of various plans offered and may result in the activation of a project early in 1951.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

ONE-WAY TRAFFIC ON McBRIDE STREET, WARD 11.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 8, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of December 4, 1950 concerning the feasibility of making McBride street, Ward 11, one way.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
December 27, 1950.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order dated December 4 requesting an investigation into the feasibility of making McBride street, Ward 11, one way, we have had a vehicular count made on McBride street, between Call street and South street.

There is not a very heavy usage of this street at various times. The traffic count shows 213 cars using this street westbound during the day and 270 cars eastbound; 119 trucks westbound and 131 eastbound. Thus a total of 332 vehicles

westbound and 401 eastbound were found to be an average traffic load for the street.

A survey of the adjoining streets reveals a similar load of traffic, as access to the factories and industrial plants in this section requires the use of streets in this neighborhood by a moderately-large number of commercial vehicles.

In order to establish a one-way street at McBride street it would be necessary to work an over-all pattern governing the parallel streets in the vicinity.

We are willing to do this, of course, but a general review by the residents of the streets affected should be undertaken, bearing in mind that sometimes an establishment of a one-way street serves as an inducement to higher speed by the persons using the street.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PAINTING OF CROSSWALKS ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARDS 12 AND 14.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 8, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of December 18, 1950, concerning the painting of pedestrian crosswalks along Brunswick, Devon, Intervale, Stanwood streets and Lawrence avenue, Wards 12 and 14.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission.
December 27, 1950.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of December 18, 1950, requesting that pedestrian crosswalks be painted along Brunswick, Devon, Intervale, Stanwood streets and Lawrence avenue, Wards 12 and 14, I wish to report that due to snow conditions and temperature, street painting cannot be accomplished at this time.

A notice has been made of this request and when the spring painting program begins we shall endeavor to provide the pedestrian lines desired.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

GIFT TO CITY OF LAND ON POPLAR STREET, ROSLINDALE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 28, 1950.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

His Excellency Archbishop Richard J. Cushing has generously offered to the City of Boston approximately 18,954 square feet of land situated on the southwesterly side of Poplar street, between Hillside avenue and Delano park, in the West Roxbury district. Officials of the Park Department have made a recent survey of the property and are of the opinion that its acquisition is desirable for the establishment thereon of playground facilities.

I transmit herewith an order whereby a deed from the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Boston to the City of Boston may be accepted and the land placed in the care, custody and control of the Park Department for park and playground purposes and I recommend the prompt adoption of the order.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Whereas, The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Boston is the owner in fee of a parcel of land containing approximately eighteen thousand nine hundred fifty-four (18,954) square feet of land situated on the southwesterly side of Poplar street, between Hillside avenue and Delano park, in the West Roxbury district of the City of Boston, hereinafter described; and

Whereas, It is the desire of the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Boston to make a gift of said land to the City of Boston for park and playground purposes; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That upon the conveyance to the City of Boston by an instrument satisfactory in form to the Corporation Counsel of the parcel of land hereinbefore referred to, said parcel is hereby placed in the care, custody and control of the Park Department of the City of Boston for park and playground purposes, said parcel of land bounded and described as follows:

A certain parcel of land situated in that part of Boston called Roslindale, numbered 233, on lot 18, of the plan entitled, "Section Two (2) of the Metropolitan Land Company's Estate in West Roxbury, recorded in Norfolk Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 182 on the files of plans in said Registry, which said lot of land is bounded and described as follows, namely: Northeasterly on Poplar street, eighty-nine (89) feet; southeasterly on lot No. 232 on said plan, two hundred twenty-six and 5-10 (226.5) feet; southwesterly on lot No. 230 on said Plan 87, twenty-five (25) feet; and northwesterly on lot No. 234 on said plan, about two hundred twenty (220) feet, containing eighteen thousand nine hundred fifty-four (18,954) square feet of land, more or less.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Eleanor W. Allen, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

John E. Behrsing, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred by break in water main at 14 Chickatawbut street, Dorchester.

Richard Black, to be reimbursed for damage to topcoat while performing police duty.

Boston Building Corporation, for compensation for damage to property at 39 and 41 Tremont street, caused by break in water main.

Robert H. Cary, for compensation for damage to car by city ambulance.

Nick Cibotti, for compensation for damage to property at 48 Tacoma street, Hyde Park, during sidewalk installation.

William H. Cooper, for compensation for damage to property at 115 Dale street, Roxbury, caused by defective catch basins.

Mary E. DelloRusso, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect on ferryboat.

Dorothy Dixon, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Fulda street, Roxbury.

John Ellis, for compensation for damage to property at 58 Shepard street, Brighton, caused by backing up of sewage.

Emanuel Gianino, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Martin E. Gorin, for compensation for injuries caused by fire apparatus.

Morris Gorin, for compensation for injuries caused by fire apparatus.

Peter L. Hughes, for compensation for injuries caused by fire truck.

Jacob Hyman, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Edward R. Jason, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Virginia R. Larson, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 22 and 24 Sherman street.

Joseph L. Levine, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Ida Lurie, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 209 Humboldt avenue.

Gertrude R. MacDonald, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Armandine street.

Winston Mahfood, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Sanders Markowsky, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Mary J. Morgan, for compensation for damage to property at 52 Neponset avenue, Roslindale, caused by defective catch basin.

Michael J. O'Donnell, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Michael J. Riley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Albert Rose, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Dayton W. Smith, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Arthur P. Spacone, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

United Garment Company, for compensation for damage to property at 155 Tyler street, caused by broken water main.

United Hardware & Supply Company, for compensation for damage to property at 279 Blue Hill avenue, caused by defective sewer.

Robert J. Walsh, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Abraham Wiseman, for compensation for damage to property at 263-267 Hanover street, caused by bursting water main.

Executive.

Petition of Eva Frazier to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John J. Frazier, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Anna M. Nolan to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, William J. Nolan, late member of Fire Department.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES BY STATE HOUSING BOARD.

Notice was received from the State Housing Board of approval of expenditures by the Boston Housing Authority as follows: North Avenue project, dry wells, $116.47; River street 20- and 30-house projects, rolled roofing, $2,160; River Street 20-house project, humidifiers, $336.40; River Street 30-house project, humidifiers, $504.60; Baker Street project, humidifiers, $584.80; River Street 16-house project, humidifiers, $265.25; River Street 17-house project, humidifiers, $281.86; River Street 25-house project, humidifiers, $414.50; River Street 36-house project, drain pits and covers, $1,248; River Street 36-house project, excavation and backfill, $324.59; River Street 16-house project, areaways, $149.60; Baker Street project, hand rails, $1,000, and Baker Street project, pipe to dry wells, $645.

Notice was received from the State Housing Board of approval of expenditure by the Boston Housing Authority as follows: Installation of service lines at the North Avenue 372 project, $1,269.80.

Severally placed on file.

HEARING BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on January 25, at 10 A.M., on petition of Plymouth and Brockton Street Railway Company for license to operate motor vehicles from Town of Plymouth to Park square.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on January 17, 1951, at 10 A.M., on petition of Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company for license to operate motor vehicles in East Boston on Asbley street, between Bennington and Boardman streets; on Boardman street, between William F. McClellan Highway and Saratoga street; on Saratoga street, between Boardman street and St. Edward road; on St. Edward road, between Saratoga street and Barnes avenue; on Barnes avenue, between St. Edward road and Saratoga street.

Severally placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices were received from the Mayor of the following appointments:

Henry L. Sbattuck, 84 Beacon street, member of Board of Recreation for term ending January 3, 1955.

Gerald F. Scally, 54 Pleasant street, Dorchester, Member of Board of Street Commissioners for term ending the first Monday in January, 1954.

Maxwell Shapiro, 400 Commonwealth avenue, member of Massachusetts Market Authority for term ending June 30, 1951.

Severally placed on file.

LOAN IN ANTICIPATION OF REVENUE.

President HURLEY called up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for temporary loan of $60,000,000 in anticipation of revenue.

On January 2, 1951, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 22.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.

Nays—0.

DELAY IN TRAFFIC CONSTRUCTION WORK, CHARLESTOWN.

Coun. KINSELLA offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to inquire of tbe State Department of Public Works into tbe reason for the delay in tbe traffie construction work in Sullivan square and on Rutherford avenue, Ward 2, Charlestown.

Passed under suspension of tbe rules.

FLOODING OF FATHER BUCKLEY PLAYGROUND FOR SKATING.

Coun. WENZLER offered tbe following:

Ordered, Tbat tbe Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to flood the wbole, or a part of the Father Buckley Playground so tbat tbe children will have a skating place.

Passed under suspension of tbe rules.

PERMANENT "NO PARKING" SIGNS OUTSIDE TEMPLE BETH HILLEL.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be directed, througb bis Honor the Mayor, to install permanent "No Parking" signs outside the Temple Beth Hillel at 800 Morton street, Ward 14.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

FORTY-HOUR WEEK FOR SUFFOLK COUNTY JAIL EMPLOYEES.

Coun. FARIN, BEADES, and BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to authorize the Sheriff to place the Suffolk County jail employees under a forty-hour week.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Kinsella the Council voted at 2.34 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of tbe Chair. Tbe members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 3.45 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for tbe Executive Committee, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) accepting gift of land on Poplar street, Roslindale. from tbe Roman Catbolic Archbishop of Boston, said parcel of land to be placed in care, custody and control of Park Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

PAYMENT OF SUM OF MONEY TO CELIA SHIFRES.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:
Resolved, That the Boston City Council favors the enactment of legislation authorizing the payment of a sum of money to Celia Shifres of Boston for injuries sustained while attending graduation exercises at Symphony Hall on June 6, 1950, provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.
The resolution was passed under suspension of the rules.

TENANT SELECTION BY BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to furnish the City Council with a list of the names of all persons obtaining accommodations in the various housing projects during the past year, together with the names of their sponsors, if any, and be it further
Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested to attend the next meeting of the Executive Committee of the City Council for the purpose of explaining the method, standard of qualifications, etc., used in tenant selection.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPRECIATION OF GIFT OF LAND BY ARCHIBISHOP RICHARD J. CUSHING.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:
Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to thank, in the name of the Boston City Council, His Excellency, the Most Reverend Richard J. Cushing, Archbishop of Boston, for his beneficence in the form of his offer of land for playground purposes to the children of the city of Boston; and be it further
Resolved, That His Excellency, Archbishop Richard J. Cushing, be assured that the extent of the gratitude and appreciation of the people of the fortunate district, will match his generosity with their use of and respect for this great donation to the public good.
The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAPLAIN TO BOSTON CITY COUNCIL.

Coun. HANNON, McCOLGAN, and COOK offered the following:
Ordered, That the President of the Boston City Council be directed to arrange for the appointment of a chaplain to the Boston City Council who will open each meeting with a prayer.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRANSFER OF SEWING MACHINES TO INSTITUTIONS AND PENAL INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENTS.

Coun. HANNON and McCOLGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Overseers of the Public Welfare to make immediate inquiries as to the possibility of having the sewing machines, now in storage in the Welfare Department, transferred to the Institutions and Penal Institutions Departments to be repaired therein and to consider the advisability of transferring these said machines to the permanent use of these departments.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

APPRECIATION OF GIFTS OF ORGANS FROM HARRY BLAKE AND IRVING GREEN.

Coun. ANSEL, COOK, and HURLEY offered the following:
Resolved, That the Boston City Council in meeting assembled express their thanks to Harry Blake and Irving Green for their generous gifts of organs to the City of Boston.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 4.08 P.M., on motion of Councilor Sullivan, to meet on Monday, January 15, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, January 15, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Coffey.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

MEDICAL PAYMENTS FOR OLD AGE ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 15, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary of the Overseers of the Public Welfare relative to your order of December 18, 1950, concerning the payment of one visitation by any family doctor to Old Age Assistance recipients while the patient is confined to the hospital.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Overseers of the Public Welfare,
January 5, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

In response to the City Council order of December 18, 1950, requesting that any family doctor of an Old Age Assistance recipient be paid for one visitation while the patient is confined to the hospital:

The State Manual of Public Assistance states that reimbursement by the State Department for physician's or surgeon's fees for hospital patients is not allowed. Those services are included in the care for which the hospital is paid. Cities are obliged by law to follow State regulations in the administration of Old Age Assistance.

Sincerely yours,
WILLIAM G. O'HARE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

ADDITIONAL SOCIAL WORKERS FOR WELFARE OFFICES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 15, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary of the Overseers of the Public Welfare relative to your order of December 28, 1950, concerning the assignment of additional social workers to the various welfare offices.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Overseers of the Public Welfare,
January 10, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Attention of Mr. Shannon.
Dear Sir:

The Overseers of the Public Welfare in the City of Boston have received notification of the following order of the City Council, which was passed December 28, 1950:

"Ordered, That the Overseers of the Public Welfare Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to assign additional social workers to the various welfare offices that are now running behind in their investigations; also to check and see if it is true that each social worker has over 150 cases to take care of. The new system of social workers to investigate cases from any of the three aid departments seems quite a burden for the number of social workers employed."

The Board of Overseers of the Public Welfare has asked that we do our best in the new integrated program to classify the assignment of social workers so that no one social worker shall have a case load of less than 100 cases or more than 160 cases. This is a Board recommendation pending further consideration and determination as to the most efficient way to serve those in need with also the thought in mind of having administrative costs held to a level that is in accordance with meeting this need.

At present the average case load of workers is 155. The Board feels this is a high average and undoubtedly will ask for an alleviation of this condition in its budget appropriation for 1951.

Sincerely yours,
WILLIAM G. O'HARE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

STATIONING OF FIRE APPARATUS ON PARKER HILL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 15, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Fire Commissioner and the Chief of Department relative to your order of December 4, 1950, concerning the instructions to station a piece of fire apparatus at Parker Hill in an emergency.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, January 5, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Your Honor:

With reference to the order passed by the City Council on December 4, 1950, requesting that, through you, the Fire Commissioner be instructed to station a piece of fire apparatus at Parker Hill, I submit the comment of the Chief of Department for your information.

Respectfully yours,
M. T. KELLEHER, Fire Commissioner.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, January 4, 1951.

To the Fire Commissioner.
Sir:

Relative to attached City Council order requesting that a piece of fire apparatus be located on top of Parker Hill during an emergency, I wish to state that this suggestion would receive earnest consideration in an extreme emergency. The various high spots throughout the city such as Parker Hill could be used if practicable.

However, the Fire Department was not without communication at the time in question. We have two other sources of electric supply at Fire Alarm Headquarters in the Fenway. One is an electric generator which is driven by a gasoline engine. The other supply is maintained by storage batteries which can operate the Fire Alarm Station. This department maintained radio communication at the time.

JOHN V. STAPLETON,
Chief of Department.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

James Albert, for compensation for damage to property at 1 and 3 Everett avenue, Dorchester, caused by break in water line.

Caroline Amori, for compensation for damage to ear caused by an alleged defect at Broadway and Stuart street.

Anna L. and Dorothy Carroll, for compensation for damage to property at 7 and 9 Thompson street, Charlestown, caused by snowplow.

James W. Finnell, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

James V. Guaragna, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

President HURLEY announced the appointment of the following committees for the year 1951:

Standing Committees.

Executive.

All the members, Councilor Ramsey, chairman, Councilor Sullivan, vice chairman.

On the following committees the first-named member is Chairman:

Appropriations.

Councilors Shanley, F. P. Tracey, Cantwell, Coffey, Ansel, Ramsey, Bryan.

Claims.

Councilors McColgan, Bryan, F. P. Tracey, McCormack, Lanigan.

County Accounts.

Councilors McCormack, Ramsey, P. A. Tracy, Lanigan, Chase.

Finance.

Councilors Cantwell, Cook, F. P. Tracey, Ansel, Wenzler, McCormack, Shanley.

Inspection of Prisons.

Councilors Kinsella, Cantwell, Coffey, Beades, F. P. Tracey.

Legislative Matters.

Councilors Beades, Lane, Bryan, P. A. Tracy, Hannon.

Licenses.

Councilors Coffey, Kinsella, McCormack, Ansel, Shanley, Sullivan, Ramsey.

Military Affairs.

Councilors Cook, P. A. Tracy, Beades, McColgan, F. P. Tracey.

Ordinances.

Councilors Ramsey, Coffey, McColgan, Shanley, Sullivan, Ansel, P. A. Tracy.

Parkman Fund.

Councilors Lane, McCormack, Lanigan, Yerxa, Hannon.

Printing.

Councilors Hannon, Farin, Sullivan, Beades, Lanigan.

Public Lands.

Councilors F. P. Tracey, Sullivan, Shanley, Ramsey, Cook.

Rules.

Councilors Sullivan, Kinsella, Ramsey, Shanley, Chase.

Special Committees.

Hospitals.

Councilors Sullivan, Ansel, Cantwell, Shanley, Kinsella, Ramsey, McColgan.

Parks and Playgrounds.

Councilors Bryan, Yerxa, Chase, Farin Wenzler.

Public Housing.

Councilors P. A. Tracy, Lane, Wenzler, Cantwell, Farin.

Public Safety.

Councilors McColgan, Bryan, Cook, Lane, Ansel.

Public Welfare.

Councilors Wenzler, Bryan, McColgan, Coffey, Hannon.

Public Works.

Councilors Yerxa, Lane, Kinsella, McCormack, Cook.

Placed on file.

INSPECTORS IN HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

That chapter 4 of the Ordinances of 1950, concerning organization of the Health Department, be amended by inserting after the words "environmental sanitation" in section 2, the following: which includes food inspectors and housing and sanitation inspectors, and that all examinations in the future for these two positions shall be held in accordance with the civil service rules and regulations as they have in the past.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

Adjourned at 5.11 P.M., on motion of Councilor Lanigan, to meet on Monday, January 22, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, January 22, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P. M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Coffey and Ramsey.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the appointment of Hugh P. McColgan, 86 Bailey road, Somerville, as a Weigher of Goods for the term ending April 30, 1951.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM AND OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 22, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

On December 11, 1950, I forwarded to your Honorable Body two resolutions favoring the enactment of proposed legislation. Both resolutions were referred to your Executive Committee, and to date, no action has been taken on either resolution.

One resolution favored legislation for the construction of a municipal auditorium in Boston. It would appear that present world conditions make it unlikely that such an auditorium can be built. However, the authority to go forward with such a project is most desirable. The need for such an auditorium is very pressing, and if the international situation should become normal, I am of the belief that we should be prepared to erect such an auditorium.

The other resolution concerns additional authority to go forward with the off-street parking program. Under the 1946 authorization, $5,000,000 has been committed for off-street parking facilities. It is the intention of the city government to erect further parking facilities in order that the great parking congestion in our city might be relieved. As in the case of the auditorium, however, it is quite doubtful that further parking structures will be erected if the international situation remains grave. However, it is most desirable that the authority be granted so that we might proceed when conditions allow.

Unless both of these resolutions are approved by your Honorable Body the legislation will not be acted upon under the rules of the Legislature. Therefore, I most respectfully request that your Honorable Body give prompt consideration to both of these resolutions.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

CENTRALIZED MIMEOGRAPH DIVISION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 22, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Budget Commissioner relative to your order of December 28, 1950, concerning the setting up of a centralized mimeograph division to service all departments in City Hall and City Hall Annex.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, January 15, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

I am in receipt of the Council order reading as follows:

"Ordered, That the Budget Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a study as to the advisability of setting up a centralized mimeograph machine division to service all departments in City Hall and City Hall Annex."

The question of centralization of mimeograph and other duplicating work now scattered throughout the various city departments is a matter which is being studied by the Mayor's Executive Committee on Administration, of which the Budget Commissioner is a member.

Very truly yours,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PORTABLE BUILDING FOR USE BY VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 22, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the secretary of the Overseers of the Public Welfare relative to your order of January 15, 1951, concerning the turning over of a portable building, located at Glenway street and Blue Hill avenue, to the various veterans' organizations inthat area.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Overseers of Public Welfare,
January 19, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Attention of Mr. Shannon.
Dear Sir:

The Overseers of the Public Welfare in the City of Boston have received notification of the following order of the City Council, which was passed on January 15, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Overseers of the Public Welfare be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to turn over a portable building, located at Glenway street and Blue Hill avenue, to the various veterans' organizations in that area."

May I report, that this building is still being used for Public Welfare purposes and if and when we cease occupancy it will be turned back to the School Committee of the City of Boston.

Sincerely yours,
WILLIAM G. O'HARE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

FLOODING OF FATHER BUCKLEY PLAYGROUND FOR SKATING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 22, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of January 8, 1951, requesting the flooding of the whole or a part of the Father Buckley Playground so that the children will have a skating place.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, January 12, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order dated January 8, requesting to flood the whole or a part of the Father Buckley Playground so that the children will have a skating place.

I regret to inform Councilor Wenzler that this is one of the areas in the Park system that we are unable to flood.

It is a small children's play area and is so constructed that it is not suitable for flooding.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT GROVE HALL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 22, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of December 18, 1950, concerning a request to make a survey for traffic signal lights at Grove Hall.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
January 15, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order dated December 18, 1950, requesting that the Traffic Commissioner be requested to make a survey for traffic signal lights at Grove Hall, I wish to report that at the time that Blue Hill avenue and Grove Hall were designated for street reconstruction our engineers made a survey of the area.

They reported that, because of the layout of the Grove Hall traffic pattern, traffic lights could not be efficiently operated at this intersection.

Accordingly, an additional island was constructed at Grove Hall for the primary purpose of affording a safety point for pedestrians crossing at Grove Hall.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT BRUNSWICK STREET AND BLUE HILL AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 22, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission concerning the request to study the advisability of installing pedestrian, traffic, and blinker lights at the intersection of Brunswick street and Blue Hill avenue, Wards 12 and 14. This is relative to your order of December 18, 1950.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
January 15, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of December 18, 1950, requesting that the Traffic Commissioner study the advisability of installing pedestrian, traffic, and blinker lights at the intersection of Brunswick street and Blue Hill avenue, Wards 12 and 14, I wish to report that our engineers look with favor upon this location, but there are no prospects for the accomplishment of this installation during 1951.

Our 1950 appropriation was received late in 1950, and commitments were made at that time covering the amount contained in the appropriation.

We have been informed by the suppliers of electrical equipment that no guarantee of delivery can be made for any orders placed from now on.

Due to the increased cost of traffic light installations, the appropriation of last year, which was believed to be sufficient for approximately 40 installations, will only signalize about 35 intersections.

Reviewing the most hazardous locations recommended to be signalized, it is obvious that it will be some time before we will be able to reach Blue Hill avenue and Brunswick street.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PERMANENT "NO PARKING" SIGNS AT TEMPLE BETH HILLEL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 22, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of January 8, 1951, requesting the installation of permanent "No Parking" signs outside the Temple Beth Hillel at 800 Morton street, Ward 14.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
January 18, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated January 8, 1951, Requesting the Installation of Permanent "No Parking" Signs Outside the Temple Beth Hillel at 800 Morton Street, Ward 14.
Dear Sir:

Orders have been issued to erect the signs requested, and they should be in place within a few days.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT DUDLEY STREET AND BLUE HILL AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 22, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of January 15, 1951, requesting the installation of traffic signal lights at Dudley street and Blue Hill avenue.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
January 18, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order of January 15, 1951, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Signal Lights at Dudley Street and Blue Hill Avenue.
Dear Sir:

This location is on our list for proposed installations when money is provided for this purpose. All of the funds available for new traffic signals have been committed.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT CENTRE AND FORBES STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 22, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of January 15, 1951, requesting the installation of automatic traffic signals at the corner of Centre and Forbes streets, Wards 10 and 19.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
January 18, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order of January 15, 1951, Requesting the Installation of Automatic Traffic Signals at the Corner of Centre and Forbes Streets, Wards 10 and 19.
Dear Sir:

All of the funds available for new traffic signals have been committed. However, this request

will be given consideration when money is provided for additional traffic signal installations.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT NORTHAMPTON STREET AND HARRISON AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 22, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of January 15, 1951, concerning the installation of traffic light signals at the intersection of Northampton street and Harrison avenue, Ward 8.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
January 18, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated January 15, 1951, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Signal Lights at the Intersection of Northampton Street and Harrison Avenue, Ward 8.

Dear Sir:

This location will be placed on our list of proposed intersections for signalization when money is provided for this purpose. At the present time the funds available have all been committed.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FOR AUTOMATIC TRAFFIC SIGNALS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 22, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a request from the Traffic Commissioner that additional funds be made available for the installation of traffic signal lights. I am advised by the City Auditor that there is available in the "Sales of City Property" account a balance of approximately $26,000 which may be utilized for the purpose requested by the Traffic Commissioner. I submit herewith an order providing for the appropriation of this balance to permit further extension of traffic control signal lights, and respectfully recommend adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 63 of chapter 44 of the General Laws the sum of twenty-six thousand dollars ($26,000) be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the special account, "Sales of City Property," to be expended under the direction of the Traffic Commissioner, as follows:

Automatic traffic control signals in various sections of the city..... $26,000

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

Celia Allen, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 87 Lawrence avenue, Roxbury.

Mrs. Oscar F. Anderson, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

H. George Bourne, for compensation for injuries caused by police car.

Arthur F. Brown, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Gerald J. Cahill, for compensation for damage to property at 100 Appleton street, caused by defective water main.

James D. Chaisson, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department.

Joseph DeMattia, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Agnes F. Donovan, for compensation for damage to property at 44 Mercer street, caused by leak in water pipes.

Freda Gailing, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 32 Franklin Hill avenue.

Margaret Hart, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 55 Temple place.

A. D. Iacono Company, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 24 Canal street, caused by negligent maintenance of water main.

Alice C. Johnson, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Walter J. Lockbart, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Joseph P. T. McNeil, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Oak Square Fruitland, for compensation for damage to truck by fire apparatus.

Henry F. Rodwell, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department.

Bessie R. Sachnin, for compensation for damage to taxicab by police car.

John G. Sullivan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Max Witten, doing business as Causeway Print, for compensation for damage to car by car of Park Department.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES BY STATE HOUSING BOARD.

Notices were received from the State Housing Board of approval of expenditures by Boston Housing Authority as follows: $10,000 for survey and preliminary plans for development of land in Stony Brook Reservation area, West Roxbury; $2,246.75 for remote control switches at Captain John's Hill veterans' housing project; $1,600 for extension of subdrain at Victory Road veterans' housing project.

Severally placed on file.

HEARINGS BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notices were received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearings to be held on January 26 at 10 A.M., on petitions of the Metropolitan Transit Authority as follows:

Petition for approval of issue of $1,673,000 principal amount of bonds or notes for purpose of obtaining funds to acquire trackless trolley vehicles or of restoring to its treasury funds expended for such acquisition.

Petition for approval of issue of $1,980,000 principal amount of bonds or notes for purpose of obtaining funds to acquire rapid transit cars or of restoring to its treasury funds expended for such acquisition.

Petition for approval of issue of $1,074,000 principal amount of bonds or notes for the purpose of obtaining funds to acquire motor buses or of restoring to its treasury funds expended for such acquisition.

Petition for approval of issue of $1,837,000 principal amount of bonds or notes for purpose of obtaining funds to acquire street railway cars or of restoring to its treasury funds expended for such acquisition.

Petition for approval of maturities and interest rates of $1,844,000 bonds of the District, 1951, Series A; $987,000 bonds of the District, 1951, Series B; $825,000 bonds of the District, 1951, Series C; $4,500,000 bonds of the District, 1951, Series D; $6,564,000 bonds of the District, 1951, Series E.

Notice was received of hearing to be held January 31 at 2.15 P.M. on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for approval of construction, maintenance, and use of location for railway tracks in East Boston, extending from easterly

end of East Boston Rapid Transit Extension premises a distance of approximately 1,200 feet, to a point near Washburn avenue, together with all necessary curves, crossovers, switches, and connections; and for permission to establish and maintain an overhead electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect, maintain, and use the necessary poles, wires, appliances, and other equipment therefor, including a loading and unloading platform on westerly side of Washburn avenue, opposite entrance to Suffolk Downs Race Track.

Petition of the Boston Edison Company for location of substation on southeasterly side of Washington street, West Roxbury.

Severally placed on file.

MERIDIAN STREET BRIDGE.

A resolution passed by the Chelsea Board of Aldermen on January 8, 1951, was received urging the Mayor and City Council to use all efforts to speed up replacement of the Meridian Street Bridge, not only for its civilian use but for necessary use in case of bombing.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Legislative Matters, orally reported on order (referred December 11, 1950) that councilors be informed of pending legislative matters pertaining to the City of Boston — stating that by next week the committee would be able to present to the members a list of all bills pertaining to the City of Boston and the dates on which they would be heard. President Hurley thanked the chairman and committee for their progress to date on this matter.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. SHANLEY, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred December 18, 1950) for abandonment of sewer easement in Brighton — that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted. On December 18, 1950, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 16, nays 0. The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 16, nays 0.

Yeas — Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, Yerxa, — 16.

Nays — 0.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF MARAT C. EUSCHER.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Dennis and Moreland streets, Roxbury, in honor of Sergt. Marat C. Euscher, who was killed in action on January 9, 1945, in the battle of Rimmling, Alsace, France.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PENSION FOR CHARLES J. SERGEI.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, recommend the passage of legislation now pending before the Massachusetts Legislature, entitled "An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Pension Charles J. Sergei," provided such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and the City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

LUNCHEON FACILITIES FOR MALE EMPLOYEES.

Coun. KINSELLA offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct the Superintendent of Public Buildings to make every effort to find two suitably located rooms in City Hall Annex where male employees of City Hall who bring their lunches to work may be permitted to use these rooms as a lunchtime gathering place; and be it further

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be instructed by his Honor the Mayor to equip these rooms with the necessary tables, chairs, hot plates, and other appurtenances that will give these rooms the proper atmosphere for the purpose for which they are intended.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION RE REINSTATEMENT OF THOMAS F. BURKE.

Coun. FARIN and CANTWELL offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation to authorize the reinstatement in the Police Department of Thomas F. Burke, a member of said department who resigned in 1944, provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF MILTON STREET, EAST BOSTON.

Coun. SHANLEY, for Councilor Coffey, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Street Laying-Out Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out as a public way, Milton street in East Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

HANDLING OF EMERGENCY CASES, CITY HOSPITAL.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be requested to investigate the handling of emergency cases at the Accident Ward of the Boston City Hospital.

Referred to the Committee on Hospitals.

ALL-NIGHT PARKING ON CERTAIN STREETS.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to authorize all-night parking on one side of all streets in the outlying sections of Boston having three or more lanes for traffic, the side of the street to be determined by the commission, at its discretion.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION OF CERTAIN SEWING MACHINES.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Mayor be requested to contact the city auctioneer in order to have him hold a public auction to sell the sewing machines that are in the warehouse at present to the citizens of Boston.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

REMOVAL OF WASTE PAPER RECEPTACLE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor,

to immediately remove the waste paper receptacle at the corner of Dorchester street and West Broadway, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Lanigan the Council voted at 2.20 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 3.22 P.M.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred January 8) of Owen A. Gallagher as member of the Boston Housing Authority for term expiring January 8, 1956—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. The appointment was confirmed, yeas 19, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, Yerxa—19.

Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. McCOLGAN, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

Report on ordinance (referred January 15) concerning food, housing and sanitation inspectors in Health Department—recommending passage of ordinance in accompanying new draft, viz.:

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 17 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as amended by chapter 4 of the Ordinances of 1950, is hereby further amended by inserting in the fourth line of said section after the word "sanitation" and before the word "and," the following words: "which includes food inspectors and housing and sanitation inspectors, and that all examinations in the future for these two positions shall be held in accordance with the civil service rules and regulations as they have in the past."

The report was accepted and the ordinance was passed.

USE OF CERTAIN VACANT LAND FOR ALL-NIGHT PARKING.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Traffic Commission, in conjunction with the Real Estate Division, place all vacant land now in the custody of said Real Estate Division in such condition that it can be used for all-night off-street parking.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PRICE CEILINGS AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 1950.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, respectfully requests that the Price Control Board considers establishing as their ceilings the prevailing prices on September 1, 1950, inasmuch as prices since that date have rapidly increased, and it is the wisdom of the membership of the Boston City Council that in order to have effective price control consistent with the normal income of its citizens, prices should be rolled back to the above date.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

PAYMENT OF SUM OF MONEY TO GEORGE A. PRITCHARD.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, favors the enactment of legislation authorizing the city to pay a sum of money to George A. Pritchard; provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 4.10 P.M., on motion of Councilor Sullivan, to meet on Monday, January 29, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, January 29, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Coffey, Kinsella, and Ramsey.

His Honor Mayor John B. Hynes and the Reverend Father James H. Doyle, Pastor of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Roxbury, were escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION

BY REV. FATHER JAMES H. DOYLE.

Father DOYLE—I would like to preface my invocation by a few remarks to thank the Mayor and the President of this Body for inaugurating such a splendid program of spiritual enlightenment. Also, I want to say that my father served in this chamber fifty-odd years ago. He was four years as chairman of the Board of Aldermen, and other years as a member. It is very fitting, therefore, and I feel quite emotionally filled with gratitude, that the first invocation is extended to me today. I trust that the inauguration of this program which I believe is the only one in a City Council Body will reap many splendid repercussions.

In the Name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost, Amen. O Spiritual Legislator, infinitely generous, seeking only our interests, from Thy divine lips came those words of love, "Come to me, all you that labor and are burdened, and I will refresh you."

Look down, we beseech Thee, upon this legislative body who seek today your guidance and your unfailing assistance. Their authority comes from Thee. They must exercise it in Thy name, and in conformity with Thy law. Let no thought of selfish influence obscure in their minds a clear vision of Thy truth which will draw their deliberations into the channels of righteousness. O Just and Merciful God, help us all to work together according to Thy plan for the safety and peace of our beloved city and our nation whose interest we are pledged to defend. We tender to Thee once more our love in a society from which Thou art being excluded. Grant that we may yet be aroused before it is too late with the sense of doom which awaits those who have rejected Thee. True, Thou hast made us Thyself, and unless we turn to Thee, we shall be lost forever. O God of Holiness and Goodness, we rejoice in Thy nearness to us, and we beg Thee not to desert us as disaster threatens to bring us to ruin. We pledge to Thee that singleness of purpose and unity, one to another against Thine enemies, and to bring us at length to an eternal union with Thee. Amen.

President HURLEY—I want to thank you, Reverend Father Doyle. I hope this is the beginning only of the order introduced by Councilors McColgan, Hannon, and Cook that the City Council open their meetings with prayer.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

President HURLEY escorted his Honor Mayor Hynes and the Reverend Father Doyle from the chamber.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Weighers of Goods for term ending April 30, 1951: Edmund G. Dalton, Jr., 282 Homer street, Newton, Mass.; Stanley Bezubka, 38 Burnside street, Medford, Mass.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

CLEARING OF CERTAIN SIDEWALKS BY NEW YORK, NEW HAVEN & HARTFORD RAILROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 29, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Police Commissioner relative to your order of January 15, 1951, requesting that the proper officials of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company be contacted to compel them to remove all snow and ice from the sidewalks of their properties in the West Roxbury and Roslindale sections after every snowstorm.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Police Department,
January 23, 1951.

Thomas G. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Returned herewith is City Council order dated January 15, 1951, as follows:

"Ordered, That the Police Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to contact the proper officials of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company to compel them to remove all snow and ice from the sidewalks of their properties in the West Roxbury and Roslindale sections after every snowstorm."

This was referred to Capt. James F. O'Neil, Commanding Division 17, and a copy of his report on the matter is attached.

Very truly yours,
THOMAS F. SULLIVAN.
Police Commissioner.

City of Boston,
Police Department,
January 22, 1951.

From: Capt. James F. O'Neil.
To: The Superintendent.
Subject: *Re* City Council Order Concerning Removal of Snow and Ice from Sidewalks of Railroad Property in West Roxbury and Roslindale Sections.
Sir:

Referring to the attached communication from Thomas G. J. Shannon, Chief Clerk in the office of the Mayor, relative to a City Council order of January 15, concerning the removal of snow and ice from the sidewalks of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad property in West Roxbury and Roslindale sections, I respectfully report as follows.

I assigned Sergt. Joseph W. Kiley of this division to investigate this order and he reports that at 10.15 A.M., January 22, 1951, he contacted the office of Sidney J. Polson, Room 493, South Station, Division Engineer of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, official in charge of snow removal in the West Roxbury and Roslindale sections. At the time Mr. Polson could not be contacted and the sergeant talked with Henry V. Jenkins, assistant to Mr. Polson, and informed him of the order passed by the City Council and he, Mr. Jenkins, stated that the railroad has a contract with a contractor named Malley of Newton, Mass., to remove all snow and ice after snowstorms in the West Roxbury and Roslindale sections and he will inform Mr. Polson of said order and that it will be strictly complied with.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES F. O'NEIL,
Captain, Commanding Division 17.

Placed on file.

DELAY IN TRAFFIC CONSTRUCTION WORK, SULLIVAN SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 29, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the State Department of Public Works relative to your order of January 8, 1951, requesting an inquiry into the reason for the delay in the traffic con-

struction work in Sullivan square and on Rutherford avenue, Ward 2, Charlestown.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Department of Public Works,
January 17, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mayor Hynes:

In reply to your memo of January 10, 1951, requesting consideration and report concerning delay in the traffic construction work at Sullivan square and at Rutherford avenue in Charlestown, please be advised that the main cause of delay is treatment of the existing "Hood's Tunnel," so called, which crosses Rutherford avenue at the Hood plant. This tunnel is considered structurally unsafe for heavy traffic using Rutherford avenue and in addition is considered to be a chamber in which dangerous gases may collect, thus forming a dual hazard for traffic use.

It is the understanding of this department that the Hood Company is willing to remove the cap and fill in this tunnel but that the actual filling operation is being delayed pending correspondence between legal representatives for the Hood Company and the City of Boston Law Department. Removal of this cap and filling of the tunnel is also delaying installation of the cable of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company Electric Division at this location.

When the question of the Hood tunnel is solved, Rutherford avenue could be opened shortly thereafter to traffic use.

Very truly yours,
William F. Callahan,
Commissioner.

Placed on file.

WATER ON STREETS AROUND RUSSELL SCHOOL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 29, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of December 11, 1950, requesting that a survey be made of the streets in and around the William E. Russell School in Dorchester and in particular on Columbia road, to ascertain the cause of water collecting on these streets after rain or snowstorms and to take immediate steps to remedy same.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 22, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works make a survey of the streets in and around the William E. Russell School in Dorchester and in particular on Columbia road, to ascertain the cause of water collection on these streets after rain or snowstorms and to take immediate steps to remedy same, and this will advise you that these locations were inspected by the local paving service district foreman on Monday, January 15, 1951.

He reports that the morning of this day was of heavy rains and, at the time of inspection, there was no accumulation of rain water.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

"STOP" SIGNS AT D STREET INTERSECTIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 29, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of January 15, 1951, requesting the placement of "Stop" signs on D street at the entrance to West Fourth, West Fifth, and West Sixth streets, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
January 24, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of January 15, 1951, requesting the placement of "Stop" signs at D street at the entrance to West Fourth, West Fifth, and West Sixth streets, Ward 6, our engineers report that where formerly these streets crossed D street, they have been cut off by the construction of the housing project.

As a result of this, "Stop" signs would not be warranted on the housing project side of these streets.

We are planning to install a pedestrian signal at the intersection of D and West Fourth streets this spring and we have already installed a great many warning signs in this area.

Respectfully submitted,
Wm. Arthur Reilly, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

SPEED LIMIT SIGNS ON D STREET, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 29, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of January 15, 1951, requesting the replacement of speed limit signs reading "Not over 15 Miles per Hour" on D street, between Broadway and Old Colony avenue, Ward 6, as a means of protecting the many children who have to cross the street in going and coming from school.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
January 24, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of January 15, 1951, requesting the placement of speed limit signs reading "Not over 15 Miles per Hour" on D street, between Broadway and Old Colony avenue, Ward 6, I wish to report that the placing of speed signs on a street requires a hearing before the State Department of Public Works and the Registry of Motor Vehicles, and the general procedure involves the taking of an average of 85 per cent of the speed of existing traffic in making speed regulations in accordance with their finding.

Accordingly, this would more properly be a matter for the State Department of Public Works and the Registry of Motor Vehicles to consider.

Respectfully yours,
Wm. Arthur Reilly, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

USE OF CERTAIN VACANT LAND FOR ALL-NIGHT PARKING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 29, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of January 22, 1951, requesting the placing of all vacant land now in the custody of the Real Estate Division in such condition that it can be used for all-night off-street parking.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
January 26, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of January 22, 1951, requesting this commission in conjunction with the Real Estate Division, to place all vacant land now in the custody of said Real Estate Division in such condition that it can be used for all-night off-street parking, I wish to report that our commission will give this matter immediate attention.

An investigation is being made of the cities where special parking arrangements have been made in residential areas for all-night on-street parking, and as soon as we are able to come to some decision concerning this matter a proper announcement will be made.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

ALL-NIGHT PARKING ON CERTAIN STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 29, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of January 22, 1951, requesting the authorization of all-night parking on one side of all streets in the outlying sections of Boston having three or more lanes for traffic, the side of the street to be determined by the commission at its discretion.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
January 25, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of January 22, 1951, requesting this commission to authorize all-night parking on one side of all streets in the outlying sections of Boston having three or more lanes for traffic, the side of the street to be determined by the commission at its discretion, followed by a communication from the Mayor dated January 23, 1951, I wish to report that our commission will give this matter immediate attention.

An investigation is being made of the cities where special parking arrangements have been made in residential areas for all-night on-street parking, and as soon as we are able to come to some decision concerning this matter a proper announcement will be made to you.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Charles Coleman, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

Congress Taxi Company, for compensation for damage to taxi by city motor vehicle.

Esther Eirouth, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 5074 Washington street, West Roxbury, caused by water being shut off.

William E. Fleck, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 5080 Washington street, West Roxbury, caused by water being shut off.

James Kelly, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

William C. Kurpeski, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Francis J. Mannix, for compensation for damage to property at 35 Paisley park, Dorchester, caused by stone thrown through window by passing car.

Clarence H. Moore, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 33 Harbor View street, Dorchester, caused by water being shut off.

Paul Nitenson, doing business as Egleston Auto Body Repair, for compensation for damage to water boiler at Albany and Southampton streets, caused by break in water main.

Timothy M. O'Brien, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Bron Simon, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Fire Department.

Executive.

Petition of Agnes M. Bickford, to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Leslie B. Bickford, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Thomas F. Teehan, chief probation officer, Roxbury Court, for retirement as veteran.

Petition of John F. Carey, correction officer in House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, for retirement as veteran.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement:

Edwin Binney, III, Jordan Hall, April 30.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

DESIGNATION OF JAMES E. GILDEA AS ACTING CITY TREASURER.

Notice was received from the Mayor of designation of James E. Gildea, City Collector, as acting City Treasurer.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF BOARD OF RECREATION.

Notice was received from the School Committee of the appointment of Mr. Joseph Lee and Dr. Frederick J. Gillis as members of the Board of Recreation.

Placed on file.

WADING POOL IN ORCHARD PARK.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair and completely modernize the wading pool in Orchard park, Ward 8.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA IN ORCHARD PARK.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be directed by his Honor the Mayor to arrange for the construction of a children's play area in Orchard park.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEASE OF FIRE DEPARTMENT BUILDING ON NORTHAMPTON STREET.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Fire Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to lease or rent to the Boston City Hospital Post of the American Legion the Fire Department building located on Northampton street, between Washington street and Harrison avenue.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RED LIGHTS OVER ALL FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install red lights over all fire alarm boxes in the city, there being approximately two hundred fire alarm boxes without proper lighting at the present time.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT ON RESURFACING WASHINGTON STREET, DORCHESTER.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to furnish the City Council a report on the recent resurfacing of Washington street in Dorchester, with particular emphasis on the washboard condition of the street, in order that the Council may determine whether the conditions of the contract for resurfacing this street have been lived up to.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

FAILURE TO OBSERVE SOUNDING OF SIRENS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the City Law Department to prepare for submission to the City Council a city ordinance which shall provide proper penalties for failure of vehicles to pull to the side of the road and come to a halt at the sound of a siren of an approaching fire or police ambulance, or other vehicle so equipped.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESTRICTION OF USE OF SIRENS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the City Law Department to prepare an ordinance for submission to the City Council, which will restrict the use of sirens to fire, police, and ambulance vehicles and will restrict their use on these vehicles merely to times of emergency.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REMOVAL OF SIREN AT UPHAMS CORNER.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Traffic Commissioner or the Fire Commissioner to remove the siren-producing facility located in Uphams Corner, Dorchester, which blares forth when the fire engines are coming up Columbia road.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

FLASHING SIGNAL AT DORCHESTER AND CRESCENT AVENUES.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Traffic Commissioner to install a flashing signal light with a hand signal control at the corner of Dorchester avenue and Crescent avenue, Ward 13.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

"STOP" SIGN AT CENTRE STREET AND DORCHESTER AVENUE.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to erect "Stop Before Entering" signs on Centre street, at the junction of Centre street and Dorchester avenue, in the Ward 16 section of Dorchester.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

USE OF EGLESTON SQUARE FIRE STATION AS HEALTH UNIT.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Trustees of the George Robert White Fund be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to prepare plans to convert the present fire station in Egleston square into a health unit upon its release by the Fire Department.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

PRICE ROLL BACK TO JULY 1, 1950.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:
Whereas, The strength of a democratic society is founded upon the principle of equality of sacrifice during periods of emergency; and

Whereas, The index of the cost of living has shown an unreasonable rise during the last seven months; and
Whereas, Under the spiraling cost of consumer goods the working man and his family have been subjected to an unfair degree of hardship; and
Whereas, The wages of the working man have failed to keep pace with the unwarranted increase in the price of the necessities of life; therefore be it
Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, memorialize the Congress of the United States to pass legislation, the purpose of which shall be to roll back all prices to the level which existed on July 1, 1950; and be it further
Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Massachusetts delegation in Congress.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:
Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred January 22) of Hugh P. McColgan as Weigher of Goods for term ending April 30, 1951—recommending that appointment be confirmed.
The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Cook and P. A. Tracy. Whole number of ballots, 15; yeas, 15; and the appointment was confirmed.

PAYMENT OF ANNUITY TO DENNIS F. HEGARTY.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby favors the enactment of legislation for payment of annuity of $1,500 per annum to Dennis F. Hegarty, former provisional appointee in the Police Department of the City of Boston, who is now disabled by reason of injuries sustained by him while in the performance of his duty, provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Bryan the Council voted at 2.35 P.M., to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Councilor Wenzler at 3.43 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. SULLIVAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:
1. Report on petition of John F. Carey (referred today) for retirement as a veteran—recommending passage of the following order:
Whereas, John F. Carey, employed in the service of the County of Suffolk as correction officer in the House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, has made application to be retired under the provisions of section 57 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended; and
Whereas, The said John F. Carey has submitted to the City Council satisfactory evidence that he is a veteran as defined in section 56 of chapter 32 of the General Laws; that he has been certified for retirement for disability by the duly authorized medical board; that he has been in the service of the county at least ten years; that he is incapacitated for active service; and that his total income from all sources, exclusive of his retirement allowance and of any sum received from the government of the United States as a pension for war service, does not exceed $1,000; therefore be it

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 57 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended, John F. Carey, employed in the service of the County of Suffolk as correction officer in the House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, be, and hereby is, retired by the Mayor and City Council, acting as county commissioners, at an annual pension of $2,275, being 65 per cent of his highest regular rate of compensation.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred December 28, 1950) for sale of one thousand fifty (1,050) sewing machines and sewing machine heads at public auction — recommending passage of the order in the accompanying new draft:

Ordered, That the Overseers of Public Welfare be, and hereby are, authorized to sell at public auction, at an upset price of three thousand five hundred dollars ($3,500) approximately one thousand fifty (1,050) sewing machines and sewing machine heads no longer needed for public purposes.

The report was accepted, and the order in the new draft was passed.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred January 22) for appropriation of $26,000 from Special Account, Sales of City Property, to be expended under direction of Traffic Commissioner for automatic traffic control signals — that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, Yerxa—15.

Nays—0.

4. Report on order (referred January 22) that the Mayor contact the City Auctioneer and request that he hold a public auction at which the sewing machines at present in the warehouse be sold to citizens of Boston — that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to distribute illustrated pamphlets to children attending the public schools warning them not to accept automobile rides, candy, gifts, etc., from strangers, or to have any conversation with them; also to take the registration number of the automobile of any person who offers them a ride and report same to the police.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CEMENT SIDEWALKS ON EMERSON STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install cement sidewalks on both sides of Emerson street, between K and L streets, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

DEATH OF THOMAS F. X. WHITE.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, stand for one minute of silence out of respect for our late City Treasurer Thomas F. X. White.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

Adjourned at 3.50 P.M., on motion of Councilor Yerxa, to meet on Monday, February 5, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, February 5, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., Councilor WENZLER, senior member, presiding.

Absent, Councilors Bryan, Hurley, and Sullivan.

The Reverend Father Joseph D. Segadelli, curate of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, East Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. FATHER JOSEPH D. SEGADELLI.

O Almighty and Eternal God, we pray Thee, who through Jesus Christ, our Saviour, have revealed Thy Glory to all nations, to preserve the work of Thy Mercy that Thy Kingdom, being spread throughout the entire world, may continue with unchanging faith to spread unto the end of time.

We pray Thee, O God of Might, Wisdom, and Justice, through Whom authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted, and, judgments decreed, protect by the Holy Spirit of counsel and fortitude the President of the United States, that his administration may be conducted in righteousness and in justice; that he may encourage by deep respect for virtue and religion a faithful execution of the laws of this great nation under God; that he may be strong to restrain vice and immorality. Let the light of Thy Divine Wisdom direct the deliberations of Congress and shine forth in all the proceedings and laws found for our rule and government, so that they may tend to the preservation of peace; the promotion of honesty and fair government; the increase of industry and the greater ability in our national and local civic leaders for sound leadership and strong and just legislation. We recommend also to the immeasurable mercy of God all our brothers and fellow-citizens of this city and nation, that they may be blessed in the knowledge and sanctified in the observance of Thy most holy laws; that they may be preserved in the union and in that peace which the world cannot give and, after enjoying the blessings of this life, be admitted unto life eternal.

We pray for the Governor of the Commonwealth, for the members of this assembly, for all the judges and magistrates and other officers who represent the people.

Finally we pray to Thee, O Lord of Mercy, to remember the souls of Thy servants departed who have gone before us with the sign of faith and rest in the sleep of peace; the parents, relatives, and families who, when living, were members of this honored assembly. May Almighty God direct, lead, and inspire each one of us now and forever. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

The Rev. Father Segadelli was escorted from the chamber by Councilor Coffey.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Farin presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, as follows:

Forty-nine traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear March 5, 1951:

Michael Stassano, Ward 1; Joseph B. Ahern, Ward 2; James M. Fennell, Ward 2; Frank A. Horadan, Ward 2; Jeremiah E. Regan, Ward 2; Burnett Berson, Ward 3; Peter Garrigan, Ward 3; James C. Conrad, Ward 4; Nathan Saperstein, Ward 4; Lawrence A. Bradbury, Ward 5; Daniel F. Cunningham, Ward 7; Leo J. Donahue, Ward 7; George H. Regan, Jr., Ward 7; John T. Wood, Ward 7; Earl J. Morash, Ward 8; Henry E. Hanna, Ward 9; John D. McKinney, Ward 11; John F. Peddell, Ward 11; David Schwartz, Ward 12; Daniel J. Campbell, Ward 13; George A. Ryan, Ward 13; Samuel A. Adler, Ward 14; Joseph B. Herman, Ward 14; Walter R. Cooke, Ward 16; Walter W. Knapik, Ward 16; Hugh E. MacKinnon, Ward 16; Daniel J. McCarthy, Ward 16; Ralph M. Sparre, Ward 16; Paul J. Barra, Ward 17; Nathan Brockman, Ward 17; Michael DeVeer Hassell, Ward 17; George F. Becker, Ward 18; James Bannon, Ward 18; Amos E. Cowan, Ward 18; Earl A. Hebb, Ward 18; Charles D. Osborne, Ward 18; J. Leonard Sanderson, Ward 18; George E. Walsh, Ward 19; James C. Dybes, Ward 20; John H. MacKenzie, Ward 20; Samuel J. Mazza, Ward 21; Frank Cento, Ward 22; Richard J. Crean, Ward 22; William James Hurd, Ward 22; William E. Martin, Ward 22; Antonio Salvucci, Ward 22; Samuel M. Sarkisian, Ward 22; James C. Sullivan, Ward 22; Edward F. Welch, Ward 22.

One hundred fifty-eight traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear March 5, 1951:

James W. Carroll, Ward 1; Rocco Ippolito, Ward 1; Frederick J. McGinn, Ward 1; Charles V. Moore, Jr., Ward 1; Ralph Morante, Ward 1; Peter J. Mortimer, Jr., Ward 1; John Tontodonato, Ward 1; Ralph C. Bonia, Ward 2; James J. Collins, Ward 2; Henry A. Darling, Ward 2; Harold J. Hayes, Ward 2; William J. MacDonald, Ward 2; Edward E. Malone, Ward 2; John J. Powers, Ward 2; Carl M. Schwarz, Ward 2; Joseph E. Truskey, Ward 2; Jasper B. Mason, Ward 3; Victor Muollo, Ward 3; George D. Salem, Ward 3; Paul Strano, Ward 3; Joseph F. Avedge, Ward 4; William S. Crane, Jr., Ward 4; Dennis F. Driscoll, Ward 4; Eugene E. Prohill, Ward 4; Abraham Katz, Ward 4; Alvin G. Langley, Ward 4; Antonio L. Monteiro, Ward 4; Nathan Rabin, Ward 4; Salvatore Eorvino, Ward 5; Arthur Lappen, Ward 5; Patrick J. McCrohan, Ward 5; Joseph J. Mrazik, Ward 5; Robert Winston Taylor, Ward 5; L. Walker Willson, Ward 5; Edward L. Bailey, Ward 6; Everett K. Fernald, Ward 6; William F. McDonough, Ward 6; Michael Pettino, Ward 6; Charles E. Quirk, Ward 6; James H. Regan, Ward 6; Robert J. Day, Ward 7; Adolph A. Janulis, Ward 7; John P. McGoldrick, Ward 7; James R. Murphy, Ward 7; Francis C. Rowbotham, Ward 7; Gordon E. Atkinson, Ward 8; Kenneth Boden, Ward 8; Samuel George, Ward 8; Daniel P. Kelly, Ward 8; James J. McAnarney, Ward 8; Walter J. Schell, Ward 8; Lucius A. Allston, Ward 9; John F. Dunn, Ward 9; Harry G. Gianopoulos, Ward 9; Oswald M. Gilbert, Ward 9; John W. Price, Ward 9; Harold John Tyler, Ward 9; Francis L. Wallace, Ward 9; Frank J. Bowen, Ward 10; John Buckley, Ward 10; Joseph P. Hanley, Ward 10; Thomas P. Johnson, Ward 10; Joseph A. Kohler, Ward 10; Joseph A. Winterson, Ward 10.

William C. Aspacher, Ward 11; James J. Burns, Ward 11; Kurt P. Hartwig, Ward 11; William F. Murphy, Ward 11; Joseph A. Roche, Ward 11; Richard C. Sullivan, Ward 11; Albert L. Chamillard, Ward 12; Arthur B. Chartier, Ward 12; William Gordon, Ward 12; Chester A. MacNeil, Ward 12; Norman Silbert, Ward 12; Felix L. Cincotta, Ward 13; William E. Coughlin, Ward 13; Joseph C. Hogan, Ward 13; Edson H. White, Ward 13; Hyman White, Ward 13; Harry Brombier, Ward 14; Milton Ebb, Ward 14; George Geier, Ward 14; Harry H. Goldenberg, Ward 14; Sidney J. Goldsmith, Ward 14; Abraham Hershman, Ward 14; Max Kramer, Ward 14; Samuel Mayman, Ward 14; Joseph P. Novero, Ward 14; Hyman Rosenfield, Ward 14; Harry Rosenstein, Ward 14; David Weinstein, Ward 14; Solomon Winer, Ward 14; John D. Brusard, Ward 15; Timothy Higgins, Ward 15; Thomas M. Morris, Ward 15; Daniel Whalen, Ward 15; Ernest G. Adams, Ward 16; Elmer E. Crockett, Jr., Ward 16; John J. Cummings, Ward 16; Wesley J. Davey, Ward 16; Patrick B. Haran, Ward 16; LeRoy V. Harcourt, Ward 16; Arthur F. Hickey, Ward 16; Bernard J. Lynch, Jr., Ward 16; Joseph L. Marfiak, Ward 16; Henry M. McIver, Ward 16; Leonard J. McLaughlin, Ward 16; George A. Ryan, Ward 16; Frank A. Sherwood, Ward 16; Leonard J. Bedard, Ward 17; John A. Burns, Ward 17; Omer F. Caron, Ward 17; Edwin D. Condon, Ward 17; Louis DeBenedictis, Ward 17; H. Gordon Hansen, Ward 17; Donald D. LaDuke, Ward 17; Thomas H. McSavaney, Ward 17; John T. Milloy, Jr., Ward 17; David W. O'Brien, Ward 17; John E. Osterberg, Ward 17; William A. Pembroke, Jr., Ward 17; Harry A. Rosen, Ward 17; John E. Sweeney, Ward 17; Edward J. Wall, Ward 17; Michael P. Campbell, Ward 18; Alfred T. Cliggett, Ward 18; Leonard H. Finn, Ward 18; Myer S. Siegel, Ward 18; Stephen A. Barrett, Ward 19; Lawrence C. Blase, Ward 19; John J. Brannelly, Ward 19;

Leonard E. Canner, Ward 19; Walter J. Driscoll, Ward 19; Anthony J. Pistone, Ward 19; Arthur P. Sarno, Ward 19; Francis B. Walsh, Ward 19; John Boyd, Ward 20; Frank Bursey, Ward 20; William W. Conza, Ward 20; John N. Coombes, Ward 20; Duncan P. Graham, Ward 20; Benjamin N. Grant, Ward 20; Philip H. Jones, Ward 20; Joseph McManus, Ward 20; Daniel L. McNamara, Ward 20; John P. Minnich, Ward 20; Samuel Wall, Ward 20; Abraham Aronson, Ward 21; Harold C. Atlas, Ward 21; Cornelius Harting, Ward 21; Joseph B. Kenney, Ward 21; Irving R. Miller, Ward 21; Charles J. Pfeffer, Ward 21; Bertram Silberman, Ward 21; Edward T. Bennett, Ward 22; John M. Dunn, Jr., Ward 22; Angus J. MacDonald, Ward 22.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council the Mayor submitted the appointment of William B. Harlow, 38 Milton avenue, Hyde Park, as Weigher of Goods and Weigher of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1951.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

VETO OF ORDINANCE RE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 31, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I return herewith without my signature and disapproved an ordinance adopted by your Honorable Body on January 22, amending section 2, chapter 17 of the Ordinances of 1947.

Approval of this proposed amendment to the ordinances would interfere with the proper reorganization program now in effect in the Health Department. I send you herewith a communication from the Health Commissioner which sets forth, rather comprehensively, the reasons why such an amendment to the ordinances, at this time, is not feasible.

I would suggest to your Honorable Body that this matter be given study by the Compensation and Classification Committee which is now making its survey of city departments. This matter, which affects personnel, is properly a matter for consideration in the study now going on. I am requesting the Health Commissioner to discuss this with the Committee on Compensation and Classification.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Health Department, January 25, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of January 24, 1951, relating to the following order passed by the City Council on January 21, 1951:

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

Section 1. Section 2 of chapter 17 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as amended by chapter 4 of the Ordinances of 1950, is hereby further amended by inserting in the fourth line of said section after the word "sanitation" and before the word "and" the following words: "which includes food inspectors and housing and sanitation inspectors, and that all examinations in the future for these two positions shall be held in accordance with the civil service rules and regulations as they have in the past."

The ordinance which became effective on July 5, 1950, following a study of the report of the Finance Commission of the City of Boston by Mr. Fox, Mr. John Sullivan, and Mr. deMeulenaer was prepared by the office of the Corporation Counsel. The purpose of this ordinance was to effect a more practical reorganization of the Health Department. With particular reference to the Section of Environmental Sanitation, with which the present amendment is concerned, it was the purpose to follow the pattern of organization which is advocated by the United States Public Health Service, and which is being adopted by the more progressive health departments throughout the nation.

It has been the intention to establish a higher grade of inspectors of Environmental Sanitation in the Boston Health Department—men whose basic education and training is of a higher standard, which would ultimately result in furnishing the Health Department with men better qualified for the over-all job of the Environmental Sanitation program.

In August of 1950 the Department of Civil Service was requested to hold a competitive examination for the position of "Inspector, Sanitarian," the purpose being to establish an eligible list for appointments to positions now being provisionally filled.

No change in the status of the permanently employed food inspectors and inspectors of housing and sanitation was contemplated without their consent.

Under date of August 10, 1950, your Honor's approval was received to the following communications:

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Your approval is respectfully requested to make the following amendment to the Health Department budget, Personal Services, to carry out the recommendations pertaining to the Section of Environmental Sanitation, which was established by the new city ordinance, effective on July 5, 1950:

Item.

Sanitation and Food Inspection Division, sixty-nine (69) inspectors, to read fifty-nine (59) inspectors and ten (10) inspector-sanitarians.

This will provide for the permanent appointment of inspector-sanitarians and will become effective at such time as the Department of Civil Service shall establish an eligible list. Entrance salary will be $2,700 a year, with annual increment of $100 to a maximum of $3,500 a year.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Your approval is respectfully requested to make the following amendment to the Health Department budget, Personal Services, to carry out the recommendations pertaining to the Section of Environmental Sanitation, which was established by the new city ordinance, which became effective on July 5, 1950:

Item.

Fifty-nine (59) inspectors to read nine (9) inspectors and fifty (50) inspector-sanitarians.

This will allow "inspectors" permanently employed to take a qualifying examination at civil service for the designation of "inspector-sanitarian," and will become effective upon the establishment of such eligible list. The salary of these "inspector-sanitarians" will be at the rate of $3,500 a year.

During the past several months, I have had several conferences with representatives of the food inspectors' and housing and sanitation inspectors' groups. For the food inspectors, Messrs. Brackman, Milano, and Sheehan and for the inspectors of housing and sanitation, Messrs. Henry, Gormley, and Campbell conferred with me as a committee, representing that the inspectors in the two divisions desired to have a change in the designation of their positions. It was agreed that the title of Inspector-Food Sanitation would be acceptable to the members of the Food Division and the title of Inspector-Housing Sanitation would be acceptable to the inspectors of the Division of Housing and Sanitation.

Accordingly, forms for the approval of the Department of Civil Service were prepared, as above set forth, in order that the change in title might become effective, and were distributed to the inspectors of the Food and Housing and Sanitation Divisions. On January 23, 1951, all inspectors of the Division of Housing and Sanitation submitted a request for such change in title, to the Health Commissioner, for further processing by the Department of Civil Service.

On the same date, the following memo was received from the Food Division inspectors, through their committee:

Dr. John H. Cauley,
Health Commissioner.

Dear Sir:

On an unanimous vote, the food inspectors have decided to hold in abeyance the application for

change in title pending action on the City of Boston and County of Suffolk position reclassification.

Louis Brackman,
Daniel Milano,
Lester Sheehan.

I would assume that should the present proposed amendment to the ordinance be adopted, it would abrogate the possibility of any of the inspectors of the department, at present, having an opportunity to qualify under a title and duties which would permit them to receive an increase in salary, as previously planned.

I am sure you are aware that for the past eight years no examinations have been held by civil service to fill positions as food inspectors or inspectors of housing and sanitation. I also wish to note that it has been sixteen years since any inspector in either the Food Division or Division of Housing and Sanitation has been given an opportunity by civil service examination to attain any betterment in his rating or salary.

During the spring months of 1950, the Department of Education of the Massachusetts University Extension conducted a course of lectures in the elements of Environment Sanitation at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Over fifty individuals took the course, the greater number of whom were employees of this department in the Food and Housing and Sanitation Divisions. I am reliably informed that the course was most interesting and instructive and that each person who attended and passed was given a certain number of points in college credit for having successfully passed the course. I understand that all of the employees who attended the course to enhance their knowledge of Environmental Sanitation and in preparation for an examination to qualify them as inspector-sanitarians, passed the course.

Since the ordinance reorganizing the Boston Health Department was passed, a large group of inspectors have been anticipating the opportunity to improve their status in the department and obtain a salary increase which you have authorized. It is my impression that the proposed new amendment will lower the standards required of men who may obtain employment in the department as inspectors, and the temporary employees presently employed in either of the two divisions affected by the proposed new ordinance will by no means be assured of attaining a standing on an eligible list which would assure them of a permanent appointment, for it would enormously broaden the field of individuals who would take the examination and by a limited amount of study, many, including those who by statute attain preference, would undoubtedly stand high on a list of eligibles for appointment.

In summary, it is my impression that if this proposed ordinance is enacted, it will result in the Food and Housing and Sanitation Divisions continuing to be personnelled and to function, insofar as inspectors are concerned, in the same manner that existed prior to the effectivity of the ordinance of July 5, 1950. It is my opinion that this is contrary to the recommendations of the Survey Group, the Mayor's Committee who reviewed the report early in 1950, above referred to; that it is not following a program of organization of Environmental Sanitation, as approved by the United States Public Health Service, the American Public Health Association, and progressive official health agencies; and that it will also eliminate the possibilities of the personnel presently employed as food inspectors and inspectors of housing and sanitation from obtaining a change in title for their positions, and will also cancel your authority, dated August 10, 1950, to increase the salaries of the presently permanently employed inspectors who would qualify for positions as inspectors-sanitarians.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M. D.,
Health Commissioner.

Placed on file.

WITHDRAWAL OF RESOLUTION RE MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 2, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

There is pending before your Honorable Body a resolution to approve legislation for the construction of a proposed auditorium in the City of Boston.

The legislation contemplating the proposed auditorium was prepared last November and submitted to the Legislature early in December. At that time, the international situation was not as acute as at present, and there was no intimation of restrictions in the type of building which could be constructed.

It is apparent now, however, that the construction of an auditorium will not be permitted because of governmental restrictions. I, therefore, hereby withdraw the resolution concerning the auditorium. While I believe that such an auditorium is a very desirable asset for the City of Boston, I realize that its construction must be delayed until there is a return to normal conditions.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF WASTE PAPER RECEPTACLE, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of January 22, 1951, requesting the immediate removal of the waste paper receptacle at the corner of Dorchester street and West Broadway, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 30, 1951.

To: Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon, Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
From: George G. Hyland, Commissioner, Public Works Department.
Subject: Order in Council, January 22, 1951.

Receipt is acknowledged of your memorandum of January 24, attaching order in Council, request of Councilor Wenzler, under date of January 22, 1951, as follows:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately remove the waste paper receptacle at the corner of Dorchester street and West Broadway, Ward 6."

The Chief Supervisor of the Sanitary Division of this department has informed me that this receptacle was removed as of January 26, 1951.

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

CEMENT SIDEWALKS ON EMERSON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of January 29, 1951, requesting the installation of cement sidewalks on both sides of Emerson street, between K and L streets, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
February 2, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install cement sidewalks on both sides of Emerson street, between K and L streets, Ward 6, and this will advise you that this work will be put on the list of sidewalk construction to be given consideration during the present year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

FLASHING SIGNAL AT DORCHESTER AND CRESCENT AVENUES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of January 29, 1951, requesting the installation of a flashing signal light with a hand signal control at the corner of Dorchester avenue and Crescent avenue, Ward 13.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
February 2, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated January 29, 1951, Requesting the Installation of a Flashing Signal Light with a Hand Signal Control at the Corner of Dorchester Avenue and Crescent Avenue in Ward 13.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the subject Council order, pleased be advised that this location will be placed on our list for consideration when additional funds are made available for the purpose of installing traffic signal lights.

Respectfully yours,
Wm. Arthur Reilly, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

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INCREASE IN STATUTORY APPROPRIATING POWER OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

There is pending before the Legislative Committee on Rules a petition submitted by the School Committee providing for an increase in the statutory appropriating power of the Committee for general school purposes. The increase is necessary in order to meet the full-year cost of the two hundred and four dollars general increase granted to teachers as of September 1, 1950, as well as the cost of one hundred and fifty additional custodians required to place the custodial force of the department under a forty-hour week.

In its present form, the petition does not provide for any specific sum or amount since, when it was filed last December, the 1951 budget requirements of the School Committee had not been definitely determined. During January, I was advised that school officials had estimated that an increase of one million three hundred and fifteen thousand dollars would be necessary to provide for tentative budget estimates. After consideration and study of the schedules submitted with this estimate, I arrived at the conclusion that an increase of one million dollars in the appropriation limit should be sufficient and so advised the School Committee. At a meeting last Saturday, a majority of the committee approved of my suggestion and adopted preliminary budget estimates based on a million-dollar increase in the statutory appropriating power for general school purposes.

Before the Legislative Committee on Rules will admit the petition in question, it is necessary for your Honorable Body to approve the amount of the increase. I accordingly submit herewith a resolution providing for an increase of one million dollars in the appropriation limit for general school purposes and respectfully recommend adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Resolved, That the City Council hereby approves the enactment of legislation increasing the statutory limitation on appropriations authorized to be made by the School Committee of the City of Boston for general school purposes by one million dollars, thereby establishing for the year 1951 and thereafter the sum of twenty-two million two hundred thousand dollars as the aforesaid appropriation limitation.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

BUDGET FOR 1951.

The following was received:

City of Boston
Office of the Mayor, February 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

In compliance with section 3 of the City Charter, I submit herewith my budget recommendations for 1951, and recommend adoption of the accompanying appropriations and tax orders.

The grand total of the proposed over-all budget covering City and County Maintenance is $90,679,-274.95, as compared to $86,554,244.50 in the year 1950. The $4,125,000 increase in this budget, which in itself approximates a $2.70 rise in our tax rate, could be prevented by one of three possible courses:

1. Curtailing necessary municipal services.
2. Wholesale layoff of city employees.
3. A blanket slash in salaries.

As Mayor, I am unwilling to pursue any one of these three possible courses, and I do not believe that the people of Boston want any of these three steps taken.

Obviously, it is our duty and responsibility to provide adequately for our sick and our needy, even though the cost of doing so may have increased tremendously.

It hardly needs to be pointed out that the city's bills for supplies, medical and otherwise, fuel, and food will be greater this year than in 1950. Those items account for a very substantial part of the increase in our budget.

Every practicable effort has been made to lighten the financial burden which our citizens will be asked to assume.

The estimates submitted by department officials have been reduced by more than $5,500,000. Many desirable activities and undertakings have been deferred until such time as the city is better able to afford them. The proposed appropriations contained in this budget are for the most essential and necessary municipal functions.

Economies achieved by this administration during the past thirteen months have prevented this budget from increasing to an even greater extent. Unfortunately, because of the spiraling cost of running our hospitals and institutions, and other increased expenditures resulting from present-day conditions, the results of our efforts to make savings wherever possible have been completely overshadowed and eclipsed by the steadily mounting financial demands upon the city.

The appropriations for self-supporting Income Departments are made from their particular revenues and not from the tax levy. For these departments, the total amount recommended for this year is $4,199,-713.25, against a comparable figure of $4,122,279.87 for 1950.

The major increases in the present budget are accounted for as follows:

Approximately $1,400,000 in the Police Department, chiefly because of additional expense involved in the establishment of the 5-day week for police officers in accordance with the mandate of the voters; $300,000 in the Fire Department to provide for overtime for ten holidays for firemen during 1951, additional men for the new fire station in East Boston, step-rate increases, and increased costs of repairs to buildings and equipment; $700,000 in the Hospital and Sanatorium Division due to the necessity for increased personnel costs, the new 5-day, 40-hour law, and the rising costs for food, medicine, and general maintenance repairs; $200,000 in the Welfare and Veterans' Services Departments, because of added relief and personnel costs; $314,000 in the Public Works Department to provide for down payments as a prerequisite to borrowing for sewerage works and construction of bridges; $250,000 for increased pension costs

which because of their non-contributory nature, must be paid out of budget appropriations; $50,000 for ordinary operating expenses for the new Civil Defense Department; and $246,000 for increased County of Suffolk expenses.

The foregoing are the major increases. The balance is accounted for because of increased, inflated costs of all supplies and commodities which affect the operating expenses of the city, as well as those of the ordinary citizen and business man. Everything which the municipality does itself, everything which it contracts to have done, everything which the city purchases, will call for greater expenditures this year than in 1950.

The present budget does not contain a complete picture of the city's financial needs for 1951, such as debt requirements; overlay deficit payments; MTA deficit payments for the years prior to 1950; MTA deficit requirements for 1950; School Department costs; and other fixed obligations of the city. The full requirements for the city for 1951 are not yet ascertainable. For that reason, no close estimate can be made at this time concerning the tax rate, except to state that it will be higher, by several dollars, despite savings made wherever possible, than the rate of 1950.

It will be noted that no provision has been made in these budget appropriations for a general salary increase to employees. I have received proposals from various representatives of employees, and such proposals are now under consideration. In the event that a general increase is decided upon, it will be necessary to submit a supplementary appropriation for that purpose. This, of course, would result in a further increase in our tax rate.

More detailed information concerning this budget is contained in a report of the Budget Commissioner which is attached hereto.

I respectfully request that your Honorable Body give approval to the accompanying appropriation and tax orders.

Respectfully,

J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, February 5, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

I submit herewith detailed analysis of the 1951 budget recommendations for City Maintenance, County Maintenance, and the Income Departments for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 1951.

The composition of the budget document for 1951 conforms as nearly as practicable with the recommended standard accounting classifications developed by a firm of consultants hired by the city to make this survey. This is the first step in the installation of a completely unified system of budgeting, accounting, and fiscal reporting designed to serve the purpose of effective financial administration, and informative and significant fiscal reporting to the public. In order to provide administrative flexibility, lump sum appropriations are made for Personal Services, Contractual Services, Supplies and Materials, respectively, for each budget unit. Appropriations for Current Charges and Obligations are made to each budget unit and for each class of Current Charges and Obligations as set forth in the standard classification by kinds of commodities and services. The manual of instructions for this standard classification of expenditures is now in the hands of all department heads and fiscal clerks in each city and county department. Another deviation is the setting up of a capital outlay appropriation by budget units and detailed by classes. Capital outlays are interpreted to mean all equipment items, and appropriations for Structures and Improvements, and Land and Non-Structural Improvement to Land. Eventually this system will tie in with the Six-Year Capital Improvement Program now being developed by the City Planning Board.

The following table indicates in comparative form the appropriations by divisions for this year and last.

	1950	1951
CITY MAINTENANCE	$80,933,350 52	$84,812,245 25
COUNTY MAINTENANCE	5,620,893 98	5,867,029 70
TOTAL	$86,554,244 50	$90,679,274 95

The above total of $90,679,274.95 for City and County Maintenance is the amount to be raised by taxation and represents an increase of $4,125,030.45 over the same appropriations for the year 1950. The total of the estimates submitted by all of the departments of the city and county was approximately $10,000,000 in excess of the total appropriations for 1950. This excess has been reduced by approximately $5,500,000. The appropriations for the self-supporting Income Departments are charged against their particular revenues and are not reflected in the tax levy. The total for the Income Departments recommended for the year 1951 is $4,199,713.25, as compared to $4,122,279.87 for 1950, an increase of $77,433.38.

CITY MAINTENANCE.

The amount recommended for City Maintenance totals $84,812,245.25 and is $3,878,894.73 greater than the appropriations for 1950, as shown in the following tabulation:

TWO-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON.

CITY MAINTENANCE.

	1950 Appropriations	1951 Allowances	Increase.
Personal Services	$42,274,129 18	$44,544,640 77	$2,270,511 59
Contractual Services	7,336,860 34	7,798,196 10	461,335 76
Supplies and Materials	5,346,275 80	6,160,432 35	814,156 55
Current Charges and Obligations	19,379,911 73	19,537,153 87	157,242 14
Equipment	1,029,231 06	1,088,456 16	59,225 10
Structures and Improvements	1,566,000 00	1,401,700 00	164,300 00*
Land and Non-Structural Improvements to Land .	135,000 00	219,000 00	84,000 00
Special Appropriations	3,865,942 41	4,062,666 00	196,723 59
Total	$80,933,350 52	$84,812,245 25	$3,878,894 73

* Denotes decrease.

Personal Services.

The following is an explanation of the increase of $2,270,511.59 in the Personal Services Item:

$1,270,000 for the Police Department to provide for the 5-day week for police officers—this sum includes provisions for the appointment of 290 new men, promotions to upper ranks, step rates, and anticipated additional overtime; $200,000 for the Fire Department for additional positions for the new fire station in East Boston, step-rate increases, and provision for the payment for ten holidays for members of the department; $190,000 for the Hospital Department and the Sanatorium Division for some additional needy positions and necessary funds to provide full year salary payments under the new salary schedules

adopted last October; $48,000 for the Library Department for new positions to open the Tyler Street Branch and funds to meet the new Union scales for bindery employees; $35,000 for the Traffic Department to provide full year salaries for new positions added during last year in connection with the inspection and maintenance of parking meters; $25,000 to the Health Department to provide for step-rate increases and additional personnel costs in connection with the opening of another health unit last year for which only a partial provision was made.

The above are major increases, and the balance provides for step-rate increases for the remaining departments in the city and reflects a substantial increase because of an underappropriation in the Fire Department budget of last year.

Contractual Services.

The increase of $461,335.76 in this item is due to the necessity for providing $330,000 additional funds for repairs to buildings and equipment in various city departments; $80,000 for increased costs in connection with the board of Boston-settled cases in outside institutions, children in foster homes, and for the care of premature infants; $20,000 for the hire of a bus to transport employees, visitors, and patients to and from Long Island Hospital when the bridge is completed this year; $10,000 for the Treasurer to advertise for the redemption of traffic tunnel bonds next September.

Supplies and Materials.

An increase of $450,000 in the appropriation for food, fuel, and medical supplies for the City Hospital, Sanatorium, and Long Island Hospital accounts for more than 50 per cent of the increase in this item. The balance is due to the increased costs of all the supplies and materials, and the fact that the new classification coding system has merged the former supplies and materials items into one account and transferred many former equipment items to the new supplies and materials account. This change makes it difficult to compare the balance of this increase with the 1950 appropriations for these purposes.

Current Charges and Obligations.

Increased demands on the Veterans' Services Department by veterans and their dependents since the Korean situation accounts for this additional appropriation.

Equipment.

While every effort was made to provide only for necessary equipment, this item shows an increase because it is absolutely essential to purchase X-ray equipment for the Long Island Hospital and new type X-ray tubes in the health units.

Structures and Improvements.

This item shows a reduction because of the postponement of all major improvements which could be postponed without impairment to the activities of the city.

Land and Non-Structural Improvements to Land.

The increase in this item is due to the additional appropriation for the control of Dutch elm disease and for the extension of the facilities at Mount Hope, Fairview, and Evergreen Cemeteries, particularly the veterans' plot in Mount Hope, which is now filled to capacity.

Special Appropriations.

This increase is due entirely to the increased costs of non-contributory pensions and increased workmen's compensation claims by employees.

TWO-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON.

COUNTY MAINTENANCE.

	1950 Appropriation.	1951 Allowance.	Increase.
Personal Services	$4,105,576 04	$4,167,480 34	$61,904 30
Contractual Services	696,372 73	783,105 50	86,732 77
Supplies and Materials	537,042 00	612,191 50	75,149 50
Current Charges and Obligations	15,437 11	11,977 76	3,459 35*
Equipment	81,162 50	55,274 60	25,887 90*
Structures and Improvements	41,000 00	85,000 00	44,000 00
Special Appropriations	144,303 60	152,000 00	7,696 40
Total	$5,620,893 98	$5,867,029 70	$246,135 72

* Denotes decrease.

The over-all increase of $246,135.72 in the county budget is accounted for by necessary provisions for step-rate and statutory increases, increased costs of supplies and materials, and special provision for masonry work at the step back of the new Court House building and a section of retaining wall at Deer Island to prevent further erosion to the shore line and possible damage to the buildings.

TWO-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON.

INCOME DEPARTMENTS.

	1950 Appropriation.	1951 Allowance.	Increase.
Personal Services	$2,354,210 54	$2,451,899 92	$97,689 38
Contractual Services	858,417 00	869,860 00	11,443 00
Supplies and Materials	646,783 00	650,215 00	3,432 00
Current Charges and Obligations	34,388 00	28,183 60	6,204 40*
Equipment	182,047 00	150,051 00	31,996 00*
Pensions and Annuities	46,434 33	49,503 73	3,069 40
Total	$4,122,279 87	$4,199,713 25	$77,433 38

* Denotes decrease.

The Income Departments are self-supporting and do not require appropriations on the tax levy, and the amounts recommended are necessary to efficiently operate these departments.

The appropriation for the City Record, Publication of, which has been included in the self-supporting Income Departments, has now been transferred to the Tax Departments. This change was decided upon because from past experience the income from the sale of the City Record was so small that it was necessary each year to secure most of the appropriation from other sources. There being no foreseeable possibility of the City Record becoming self-sustaining, this change was made.

Respectfully,

John A. Sullivan, Budget Commissioner.

CITY MAINTENANCE.

SUMMARY

BY FUNCTION AND ORGANIZATION UNITS.

	1950 Appropriation.	1951 Allowance.	Increase.
General Government.			
Mayor, Office Expenses	$123,856 00	$123,431 00	$425 00*
City Council	150,246 00	154,955 00	4,709 00
City Council Proceedings	16,200 00	17,200 00	1,000 00
Election Department	465,682 93	482,523 33	16,840 40
Auditing Department	165,027 61	170,146 93	5,119 32
Central Payroll Division	48,022 46	50,350 25	2,327 79
Budget Department	41,211 00	35,948 43	5,262 57*
Assessing Department	565,410 48	562,171 73	3,238 75*
Collecting Department	193,445 39	195,377 12	1,931 73
Treasury Department	169,160 12	185,151 67	15,991 55
Supply Department	96,064 16	95,796 65	267 51*
Sinking Funds Department	3,725 00	3,725 00	—
Law Department	416,021 61	456,512 32	40,490 71
City Clerk Department	79,882 12	80,646 41	764 29
City Documents	28,000 00	30,000 00	2,000 00
Registry Department	116,340 92	119,782 34	3,441 42
Statistics Department	23,725 00	22,135 00	1,590 00*
City Planning Board	40,138 15	55,136 47	14,998 32
Board of Zoning Adjustment	700 00	2,160 00	1,460 00
Development, Master Planning Programs	15,000 00	—	15,000 00*
Public Buildings Department	964,009 90	1,014,543 42	50,533 52
Boston Retirement Board	36,383 74	35,855 16	528 58*
State-Boston Retirement System Expense Fund	48,238 61	48,000 00	238 61*
Finance Commission	60,000 00	60,000 00	—
Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests	40,400 00	50,000 00	9,600 00
Public Celebrations	84,700 00	90,950 00	6,250 00
Public Works Department:			
Central Office	48,564 00	46,712 19	1,851 81*
Automotive Division	456,996 00	544,952 14	87,956 14
Total	$4,497,151 20	$4,734,162 56	$237,011 36
Public Safety.			
Police Department	$10,278,533 00	$11,670,064 90	$1,391,531 90
Fire Department	8,563,005 00	9,202,871 50	639,866 50
Electrical Inspection Division	135,062 38	141,842 22	6,779 84
Building Department	378,911 02	388,863 62	9,952 60
Board of Appeal	22,513 70	22,701 13	187 43
Board of Examiners	6,788 40	6,944 03	155 63
Weights and Measures Department	76,582 00	78,392 00	1,810 00
Licensing Board	89,172 00	101,393 50	12,221 50
Civil Defense Activities	—	50,000 00	50,000 00
Total	$19,550,567 50	$21,663,072 90	$2,112,505 40
Highways.			
Public Works Department:			
Bridge Service	$1,134,134 97	$1,242,112 10	$107,977 13
Lighting Service	1,162,460 86	1,159,702 69	2,758 17*
Paving Service	1,719,984 00	1,774,496 00	54,512 00
Snow Removal	400,000 00	400,000 00	—
Street Laying-Out Department	206,648 13	232,825 72	26,177 59
Boston Traffic Commission	489,633 29	558,738 59	69,105 30
Total	$5,112,861 25	$5,367,875 10	$255,013 85
Sanitation.			
Public Works Department:			
Sewer Service	$719,242 90	$911,035 05	$191,792 15
Sanitary Service	5,153,863 00	4,968,445 51	185,417 49*
Total	$5,873,105 90	$5,879,480 56	$6,374 66
Health.			
Health Department	$1,466,208 00	$1,532,157 70	$65,949 70
Federal Public Health Program	45,980 00	36,180 00	9,800 00*
Total	$1,512,188 00	$1,568,337 70	$56,149 70
Hospitals.			
Hospital Department	$9,636,100 00	$10,238,389 45	$602,289 45
Sanatorium Division	1,965,155 00	2,076,222 10	111,067 10
Institutions Department:			
Long Island Hospital	1,845,935 00	1,715,367 60	130,567 40*
Eastern Avenue Wharf	17,167 44	12,730 00	4,437 44*
Steamers	111,770 00	96,263 00	15,507 00*
Total	$13,576,127 44	$14,138,972 15	$562,844 71

* Denotes decrease.

	1950 Appropriation.	1951 Allowance.	Increase.
Public Welfare.			
Public Welfare Department:			
Central Office	$19,188,952 50	$19,245,419 15	$56,466 65
Temporary Home	41,511 38	49,070 06	7,558 68
Wayfarers' Lodge	31,649 00	39,306 53	7,657 53
Institutions Department:			
Central Office	73,132 09	75,618 51	2,486 42
Child Welfare Division	632,786 19	677,866 60	45,080 41
Department of Veterans' Services	1,447,820 50	1,588,289 45	140,468 95
Total	$21,415,851 66	$21,675,570 30	$259,718 64
Libraries.			
Library Department	$2,579,527 00	$2,737,147 00	$157,620 00
Recreation.			
Board of Recreation	$10,000 00	$12,000 00	$2,000 00
Park Department	2,794,184 00	2,821,345 00	27,161 00
	$2,804,184 00	$2,833,345 00	$29,161 00
Enterprises.			
Public Works Department:			
Ferry Service	$380,046 47	$358,188 00	$21,858 47*
Boston Housing Authority	25,000 00	27,000 00	2,000 00
City Record, Publication of	—	48,055 00	48,055 00
	$405,046 47	$433,243 00	$28,196 53
Unclassified.			
Market Division	$28,195 94	$28,473 84	$277 90
Park Department:			
Cemetery Division	209,044 00	244,819 16	35,775 16
Workmen's Compensation Service	26,259 60	27,370 36	1,110 76
Workmen's Compensation	74,600 00	125,000 00	50,400 00
Municipal Employment Bureau	23,346 00	22,546 00	800 00*
Art Department	2,470 00	2,970 00	500 00
Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements	235,000 00	250,000 00	15,000 00
Board of Real Estate Commissioners	73,262 15	92,596 96	19,334 81
Reserve Fund	450,000 00	250,000 00	200,000 00*
Pensions and Annuities	2,423,131 19	2,675,536 00	252,404 81
Care of Veterans' Graves	13,431 22	13,726 66	295 44
Bond Allotment Plan	48,000 00	48,000 00	—
Total	$3,606,740 10	$3,781,038 98	$174,298 88

CITY MAINTENANCE.

RECAPITULATION.

	1950 Appropriation.	1951 Allowance.	Increase.
General Government	$4,497,151 20	$4,734,162 56	$237,011 36
Public Safety	19,550,567 50	21,663,072 90	2,112,505 40
Highways	5,112,861 25	5,367,875 10	255,013 85
Sanitation	5,873,105 90	5,879,480 56	6,374 66
Health	1,512,188 00	1,568,337 70	56,149 70
Hospitals	13,576,127 44	14,138,972 15	562,844 71
Public Welfare	21,415,851 66	21,675,570 30	259,718 64
Libraries	2,579,527 00	2,737,147 00	157,620 00
Recreation	2,804,184 00	2,833,345 00	29,161 00
Enterprises	405,046 47	433,243 00	28,196 53
Unclassified	3,606,740 10	3,781,038 98	174,298 88
Grand Total	$80,933,350 52	$84,812,245 25	$3,878,894 73

COUNTY MAINTENANCE.

SUMMARY

BY FUNCTION AND ORGANIZATION UNITS.

	1950 Appropriation.	1951 Allowance.	Increase.
General Government.			
Miscellaneous Expenses:			
Auditing Department	$28,772 67	$34,684 11	$5,911 44
Budget Department	25,008 87	23,162 08	1,846 79*
Collecting Department	700 00	700 00	—
Treasury Department	6,620 30	6,645 00	24 70
Registry of Deeds	352,084 54	345,933 90	6,150 64*
Index Commissioners	39,599 70	40,260 21	660 51
County Courthouse Custodian	524,866 23	582,409 74	57,543 51
County Buildings	163,599 68	176,276 64	12,676 96
Total	$1,141,251 99	$1,210,071 68	$68,819 69

* Denotes decrease.

	1950 Appropriation.	1951 Allowance.	Increase.
Correction.			
Jail	$382,504 72	$406,775 96	$24,271 24
Penal Institutions Department:			
Central Office	65,227 99	67,150 49	1,922 50
House of Correction	778,009 77	845,135 44	67,125 67
Middlesex County Training School	50,000 00	60,000 00	10,000 00
Total	$1,275,742 48	$1,379,061 89	$103,319 41
Central Courts.			
Supreme Judicial Court	$68,550 84	$74,411 65	$5,860 81
Superior Court, Civil Session, General Expenses	578,494 25	599,127 58	20,633 33
Superior Court, Civil Session, Clerk's Office	300,794 51	303,897 81	3,103 30
Superior Court, Criminal Session	653,309 17	635,441 56	17,867 61*
Municipal Court, City of Boston	666,276 00	707,987 57	41,711 57
Boston Juvenile Court	68,521 33	69,438 17	916 84
Probate Court	65,756 00	53,954 00	11,802 00*
Total	$2,401,702 10	$2,444,258 34	$42,556 24
District Courts.			
Municipal Court, Charlestown	$50,597 38	$53,189 64	$2,592 26
East Boston District Court	52,158 05	53,636 22	1,478 17
Municipal Court, South Boston	60,116 75	60,057 59	59 16*
Municipal Court, Dorchester	81,926 05	83,944 65	2,018 60
Municipal Court, Roxbury	173,725 84	192,588 13	18,862 29
Municipal Court, West Roxbury	62,192 50	62,302 50	110 00
Municipal Court, Brighton	42,884 04	43,806 29	922 25
District Court of Chelsea	63,240 17	64,769 41	1,529 24
Total	$586,840 78	$614,294 43	$27,453 65
Medical Examinations.			
Medical Examiner Service, Northern Division	$36,242 75	$36,450 08	$207 33
Medical Examiner Service, Southern Division	25,050 28	25,893 28	843 00
Associate Medical Examiner Service, Northern Division	3,532 50	3,532 50	—
Associate Medical Examiner Service, Southern Division	3,377 50	3,577 50	200 00
	$68,203 03	$69,453 36	$1,250 33
Unclassified.			
Social Law Library	$1,000 00	$1,000 00	—
Insanity Cases	45,175 00	50,215 00	$5,040 00
Miscellaneous Expenses, Sheriff	7,675 00	7,675 00	—
Pensions and Annuities	93,303 60	91,000 00	2,303 60*
	$147,153 60	$149,890 00	$2,736 40
RECAPITULATION.			
General Government	$1,141,251 99	$1,210,071 68	$68,819 69
Correction	1,275,742 48	1,379,061 89	103,319 41
Central Courts	2,401,702 10	2,444,258 34	42,556 24
District Courts	586,840 78	614,294 43	27,453 65
Medical Examinations	68,203 03	69,453 36	1,250 33
Unclassified	147,153 60	149,890 00	2,736 40
Grand Total	$5,620,893 98	$5,867,029 70	$246,135 72
INCOME DEPARTMENTS.			
Enterprises.			
Water Service	$2,540,825 00	$2,608,136 69	$67,311 69
Collecting Department, Water Service	177,774 64	181,774 66	4,000 02
Sumner Traffic Tunnel	476,329 90	507,296 44	30,966 54
City Record, Publication of	46,432 00	—	46,432 00*
Printing Department	834,484 00	853,001 73	18,517 73
Pensions and Annuities	46,434 33	49,503 73	3,069 40
Total	$4,122,279 87	$4,199,713 25	$77,433 38
GRAND SUMMARY.			
CITY MAINTENANCE	$80,933,350 52	$84,812,245 25	$3,878,894 73
COUNTY MAINTENANCE	5,620,893 98	5,867,029 70	246,135 72
TOTAL	$86,554,244 50	$90,679,274 95	$4,125,030 45
INCOME DEPARTMENTS	4,122,279 87	4,199,713 25	77,433 38
GRAND TOTAL	$90,676,524 37	$94,878,988 20	$4,202,463 83

* Denotes decrease.

APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX ORDERS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1951.

Ordered, That to meet the current expenses payable during the financial year beginning with the first day of January, 1951, for performing the duties and exercising the powers devolved by statute or ordinance, or by vote of the City Council during the year, upon the City of Boston, or County of Suffolk, or the departments or officers thereof, the respective sums of money specified in the tables and schedules hereinafter set out be, and the same are, hereby appropriated for the several departments and for the objects and purposes hereinafter stated.

Ordered, That the appropriation for Water Service, current expenses, and the payment to the state, under the provisions of chapter 488 of the Acts of 1895, and acts in addition or amendment thereto, and for the interest and debt requirements or for loans issued for water purposes, be met by the income of said works and any excess over income from taxes; that the appropriation for Printing Department be met by the department income and any excess over income from taxes; that the appropriation for the Sumner Traffic Tunnel be met by the income from tolls and any excess over income from taxes, in accordance with the provisions of section 11, chapter 297 of the Acts of 1929, as amended by chapter 74 of the Acts of 1935; that the other appropriations hereinafter specified be met out of the money remaining in the treasury at the close of business on December 31, 1950, exclusive of the money raised by loan or needed to carry out the requirements of any statute, gift, trust or special appropriation; by the income of the financial year beginning January 1, 1951; by taxes on the polls and estates in the City of Boston; and by the proceeds of any duly authorized loans.

Ordered, That all sums of money which form no part of the income of the city, but shall be paid for services rendered or work done by any department or division for any other department or division, or for any person or corporation other than the City of Boston, be paid into the general treasury, and that all contributions made to any appropriation be expended for the objects and purposes directed by the several contributors thereof.

Ordered, That all taxes raised to meet the appropriations of the city, and all taxes assessed for meeting the city's proportion of the state tax for the year 1951, or for any other taxes or assessments payable to the Commonwealth, shall be due and payable on July first of each year. Interest shall be charged at the rate of 4 per cent per annum and computed from October first, 1951, on all real estate and personal property taxes remaining unpaid after November first, 1951, and assessed and payable in the year 1951 before said November first, 1951, until such taxes are paid. All interest which shall have become due on taxes shall be added to and be part of such taxes.

Ordered, That except as the appropriation for any purpose or item shall be increased by additional appropriations or transfers lawfully made, no money shall be expended by any department for any of the purposes or items designated in the tables and schedules hereinafter set out in excess of the amount set down as appropriated for such specific purpose or item.

(Annexed were the itemized appropriations as totaled in the foregoing schedules.)

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

At the request of Councilor Cook the Chair informed the Council members that the Printing Department was preparing copies for use by the councilors.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

Martha T. Cataldo, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 45 Union street.

Diamond Transportation, Inc., for compensation for damage to truck by fire apparatus.

Joseph T. Hubert, for compensation for damage to property at 27 Dean street, caused by leak in water pipe.

Sally Jamoozian, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 292 Belgrade avenue.

Arthur C. Kihlgren, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 43 Goethe street, caused by water being shut off.

John F. MacKinnon, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Daniel P. McLaughlin, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Harold K. Mitton, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Gordon H. Morrill, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Anna D. Murphy, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 68-70 Johnswood road.

Mary Murphy, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 982A Dorchester street.

Gennaro Nonni, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sewer Division.

Emily Sweeney, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 204 North Harvard street.

James F. Terry, for compensation for loss of eyeglasses at City Hospital.

Roy W. Chase, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Michael J. DeMarco, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Anthony D. Taylor, for compensation for damage to car and injuries caused by city car.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

A petition for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement was received as follows:

Boston Tributary Theatre, at New England Mutual Hall, February 10, 17, and 24.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES BY STATE HOUSING BOARD.

Notice was received from the State Housing Board of approval of expenditures by the Boston Housing Authority as follows:

Electrical work $2,285.85, and miscellaneous repairs, $1,793,73, for fire damage at Columbia Village Temporary Veterans' Housing Project.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices were received from the Mayor of the following appointments:

Daniel M. Driscoll, 419 Pond street, Jamaica Plain, City Treasurer, for term ending April 30, 1954, vice Thomas F. X. White, deceased.

Edmund J. Burke, Principal Assessor, designated as Chairman of Board of Assessors.

Severally placed on file.

NOTICES FROM BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SINKING FUNDS.

Notice under date of January 29 was received from Charles J. Fox, Secretary, of election of James E. Gildea, Acting City Treasurer, as Treasurer of the Board.

Notice under date of February 2 was received from Charles J. Fox, Secretary, of election of Daniel M. Driscoll, City Treasurer, as treasurer of the Board, effective February 1, 1951.

Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment of Edmund G. Dalton, Jr., and Stanley Bezubka (referred January 29) as Weighers of Goods for term ending April 30, 1951—that same be confirmed.

The report of the committee was accepted.

On motion of Councilor Cantwell the appointment was recommitted to the Committee on Confirmations.

REAPPOINTMENT OF POLICE COMMISSIONER SULLIVAN.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Whereas, The Governor of the Commonwealth, Paul A. Dever, has made a splendid decision in the reappointment of Police Commissioner Thomas F. Sullivan for another term of seven years, and

Whereas, The Citizens of Boston, the businessmen and clergy of all faiths heartily endorse this appointment, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, desire to extend to Governor Paul A. Dever, an expression of their thanks for his splendid appointment—one that meets with the approval of all civic-minded people of the City of Boston.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER OF DEPARTMENT AS NEXT POLICE COMMISSIONER.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Whereas, The Police Commissioner, Thomas F. Sullivan, has been reappointed to his position with the understanding that he retire this month and leave the employ of the city on pension, and

Whereas, The office of Police Commissioner will then be open for a new appointee, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, respectfully petition his Honor the Mayor to request that a member of the Boston Police Department, with experience of at least twenty years, be appointed to the position of Police Commissioner for the seven-year term.

On motion of Councilor Chase the resolution was referred to the Executive Committee.

Later in the session on motion of Councilor Chase the foregoing vote was reconsidered.

The resolution was rejected.

MEETING OF BOARD OF MANAGERS, OLD SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Notice was received from the Secretary of the Board of Managers of the Old South Association in Boston of meeting of Board at Boston Athenaeum on Friday, February 9, at 2.30 P.M., to vote upon amendment of Rules, Article II.

Placed on file.

BORROWING CAPACITY OF CITY FOR 1951.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds,
January 29, 1951.

To the Members of the Boston City Council.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of chapter 93, Acts of 1891, chapter 267, Special Acts of 1916, and chapter 225, Acts of 1931, it is estimated that the amount which the city will be able to borrow during the present municipal year within the debt limit established by law, is $9,469,870.52, as per schedule annexed.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM B. CAROLAN,
Chairman.
JOHN O. STUBBS,
GEORGE HANSEN,
PATRICK F. McDONALD,
Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds.
CHARLES J. FOX,
City Auditor.
JAMES E. GILDEA,
Acting City Treasurer.

CITY OF BOSTON AND COUNTY OF SUFFOLK DEBT AND SINKING FUNDS.
DEBT INCURRING POWER IN 1951.

Total debt incurring power within the debt limit (2½ per cent of $1,538,774,760, the average assessed valuation for three years, less abatements)			$38,469,369 00
Debt incurred:			
Total funded debt		$145,376,500 00	
Funded debt outside the debt limit (debt exempted from the operation of the law limiting municipal indebtedness):			
City debt	$28,564,000 00		
Traffic Tunnel debt	15,550,000 00		
Traffic Tunnel retirement debt	16,045,000 00		
County debt	735,000 00		
Rapid Transit debt	52,748,500 00		
	$113,642,500 00		
Funded debt for Public Works Administration projects, issued under authority of chapter 366, Acts of 1933, as amended by chapter 21, Acts of 1934	1,920,000 00		
		115,562,500 00	
Funded debt within the debt limit		$29,814,000 00	
Offsets to funded debt:			
Sinking funds	$70,838,201 83		
Less sinking funds for debt outside the debt limit:			
City	—		
Rapid Transit	$52,748,500 00		
Traffic Tunnel	15,319,124 02		
Traffic Tunnel retirement	2,680,076 29		
		70,747,700 31	
Offsets to funded debt within the debt limit		90,501 52	
Net indebtedness within the debt limit, December 31, 1950		$29,723,498 48	
Loans authorized but not issued (within the debt limit)		5,050,000 00	
Used debt incurring power within the debt limit			34,773,498 48
Unused debt incurring power within the debt limit, January 1, 1951			$3,695,870 52
Estimated increase during the year by:			
Serial bonds redeemable during year			5,774,000 00
Estimated amount of indebtedness that may legally be incurred within the debt limit during the municipal year			$9,469,870 52

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Legislative Matters, submitted a report on dates of hearings before legislative committees on matters pertaining to the City of Boston, and a copy was provided for each Councilor.

SPECIAL OFFICERS FOR HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Whereas, The housing projects of our city present a peculiar police problem; and

Whereas, Conditions are such that ordinary police protection will not render said projects safe to occupants and others; and

Whereas, Efforts of the Boston Police have failed to cope with the growing lawlessness; and

Whereas, The Federal Housing Authority has ordered that all special officers in housing projects be stricken from the payroll; and

Whereas, This action on their part does not show a clear knowledge of circumstances; and

Whereas, A continuation of present policy will endanger the life and property and welfare of the citizens of Boston; therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, desire to petition the officials of the Federal Housing Authority to reconsider and revoke that order of the Federal Housing Authority which prohibits any appropriation of moneys for the salaries of special officers or men in like position in the housing projects in the City of Boston; and be it further

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to present this request to the proper authority forthwith; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all members of the Massachusetts delegation in Washington and the Federal Housing Authority.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

RETENTION OF SPECIAL OFFICERS AT HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to appear before the Boston City Council at a special meeting of the Committee on Housing together with any records that relate to the removal of special officers or men in related positions; and be it further

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the presence at such meeting of a representative of the Federal Housing Authority; and be it further

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority take no action in dropping or transferring special officers and men in like positions until such time as the Federal Housing Authority reviews their decision; and be it further

Ordered, That all employees so dropped or transferred be returned to their former status.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RAISING OF INCOME LIMIT AT LOW-RENT HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Whereas, In originally determining the income of those eligible for low-rent public housing the figures for the year 1937 were used; and

Whereas, Incomes have substantially increased since that time, and the buying power of the dollar has steadily decreased; and

Whereas, The figures now used to determine those who are eligible for low-rent public housing are not in line with the true economic picture; and

Whereas, Some of our Representatives in Congress have shown an interest in the welfare of those in low-rent public housing; therefore be it

Resolved, That it is the conviction of this Body that the Committee on Banking and Currency report favorably on H.R. 7661, a bill of Congressman John W. McCormack, to amend the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 so as to raise the income limit for admission to low-rent housing provided under the act; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all members of said Committee on Banking and Currency with a request that speedy action be taken thereon; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be also forwarded to said Massachusetts delegation in the United States Congress.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

DELAYING EVICTION OF TENANTS AT LOW-RENT PUBLIC HOUSING.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request that the Boston Housing Authority appear before the Boston City Council at a special meeting of the Committee on Housing together with any records that relate to Federal regulation in regard to income of tenants in so-called low-rent public housing; and be it further

Ordered, That no action be taken to remove tenants in low-rent income projects until such time as Congress takes action on H.R. 7661, now before the Committee on Banking and Currency.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

COMPUTATION OF INCOME OF RESIDENTS IN HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to exempt in computing the income of residents in low-rent public housing two thirds of all money earned by children in the family.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ADJUSTMENT OF RENTALS OF FAMILIES OF SERVICE MEN.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to adjust the rentals of families of men who have been called into the service and living in public housing so that their rental will not surpass what they would pay if they were in low-rent public housing; and be it further

Ordered, That such rental shall continue until such time as the Boston Housing Authority can place such family in a low-income project.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RELIEF OF ANDREW SQUARE TRAFFIC CONGESTION.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the rotary traffic circle in Andrew square as a first step in the temporary relief of the traffic congestion in Andrew square; and be it further

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to move the tracks in the square so that they will bring the streetcars directly through instead of making the wide circle as they do at the present time.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

MTA BUS LINE TO SOLDIERS' HOME.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council records itself in favor of the communication sent by LaSociete des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux to Governor Paul A. Dever, State House, Boston, Mass., requesting the Metropolitan Transit Authority to make the necessary arrangements to run a bus line to the Soldiers' Home, Powder Hill, Chelsea,

for the convenience of the hundreds of disabled citizens who go there each day, either to visit patients at the hospital or for treatment.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRANSFER OF TENANTS AT COLUMBIA VILLAGE TEMPORARY HOUSING PROJECT.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That His Honor the Mayor direct the members of the Boston Housing Authority to use all means at their disposal to expedite the transfer of the present tenants at Columbia Village to some permanent housing project, and also to bring to fruition the construction of the proposed permanent housing projects on Calf Pasture.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

OFF-STREET PARKING GARAGE IN POST OFFICE SQUARE AREA.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That His Honor the Mayor direct the members of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners to appear before the Executive Committee of the Boston City Council, in conjunction with the members of the East Coast Terminal Company, before any further steps are taken relative to the erection of an off-street parking garage in the Post Office square area of Boston, in order that the plans of the latter company relative to the erection of a combination parking garage and office building at the same location might be considered.

The order was referred to the Executive Committee.

COMMENDATION OF SENATOR LODGE

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council in meeting assembled commends United States Senator Henry Cabot Lodge for his constant insistence that aliens be inducted into the armed forces of the United States, and that this Body go on record as favoring the enactment of the proposed legislation which will increase the number of voluntary alien enlistees from 2,500 to 25,000, as well as the establishment of the Volunteer Freedom Corps of 250,000 to serve abroad for a period of two years.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

PROPOSED CLOSING OF VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION OFFICES.

Coun. ANSEL and F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the New England delegation of the United States Congress be requested to oppose the curtailment and closing of the Veterans' Administration Offices and the discharge of the personnel in the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

OCCUPATIONAL PAYROLL TAX.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Law Department be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the feasibility of writing legislation that will impose a 1 per cent payroll tax upon all employees who are non-residents of Boston, in order to alleviate the small property owners who are overburdened with taxes.

On motion of Councilor Cook the order was referred to the Committee on Legislative Matters.

COPIES OF 1951 BUDGET FOR EACH COUNCILOR.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor submit copies of the proposed 1951 City Budget to the city councilors, so that each councilor may have sufficient time to study the budget diligently before voting upon said budget.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF ADAMS STREET, HYDE PARK.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Street Laying-Out Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Adams street, Hyde Park, from River street to Business street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

DEATH OF CITY TREASURER THOMAS F. X. WHITE.

Coun. CANTWELL, for Councilor Bryan, offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston, in meeting assembled, hereby expresses its deep regret and offers its sympathy to the family of the late Thomas F. X. White, City Treasurer of Boston, upon his sudden and untimely death.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

SIDEWALKS ON CANTERBURY STREET.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works make a sidewalk along Canterbury street, both sides, from Cummins Highway to westerly line of Mt. Hope street, Ward 18, in front of the estates bordering thereon; said sidewalk to be from 3 to 10 inches above the gutter adjoining, to be from 5 to 12 feet in width, and to be built of artificial stone with granite edgestones, under the provisions of chapter 203 of the Acts of 1943.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

BUSES ON FANEUIL BUS LINE.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to consult with the Board of Trustees of the MTA relative to increasing the number of buses on the Faneuil bus line and to re-route these additional buses from Brooks street on to Faneuil street and proceed to the Oak square center in Ward 22.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

HOSPITAL AMBULANCE AT POLICE DIVISION 14.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to station a hospital ambulance at Division 14 of the Police Department in the Brighton and Allston area for the purpose of conveying patients to the hospital.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 4.08 P.M., on motion of Councilor Cook, to meet on Monday, February 12, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, February 12, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., Coun. WENZLER, senior member, in the chair. Absent, Councilors Hurley, Sullivan, and P. A. Tracy.

The Reverend Father Conrad J. Quirbach, pastor of St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, Charlestown, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. FATHER CONRAD J. QUIRBACH.

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. O Lord God Almighty, Who hast safely brought us to the light of another day, defend us this day by Thy power so that we may not only turn our way from all evil but also that our every thought, work, and deed may proceed from and be directed according to Thy will. O God, we thank Thee for all Thy infinite goodness and for all Thy gifts and graces. May Thy heavenly wisdom reign in our hearts, Thy understanding enlighten our darkness, Thy counsel guide us, Thy fortitude strengthen us, Thy knowledge instruct us, Thy divine fear keep us from all evil. Give us grace to be as faithful soldiers so that by fighting the good fight we may be brought to the crown of eternal life. In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the appointment of Thomas McDonough, Jr., 40 West Seventh street, South Boston, as Weigher of Goods for term ending April 30, 1951.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

ACCEPTANCE OF ADAMS STREET, HYDE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 12, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen.

I transmit herewith communication from the Street Laying-Out Department relative to your order of February 5, 1951, requesting that this department accept and lay out Adams street, from River street to Business street, in the Hyde Park district.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
February 9, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Council order of February 5, 1951, requesting that this department accept and lay out Adams street, from River street to Business street, in the Hyde Park district.

This street will be included in our current program for acceptance and laying out.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF SIREN, UPHAMS CORNER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 12, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Fire Commissioner relative to your order of January 29, 1951, requesting the removal of the siren-producing facility located in Uphams Corner, Dorchester, which blares forth when the fire engines are coming up Columbia road.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, February 6, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Your Honor:

With reference to the City Council order of January 29, 1951, requesting the removal of the siren-producing facility located in Uphams Corner, Dorchester, we submit herewith a report from District Chief Richard J. Lane, who is familiar with this section of the city and who is concerned with the movement of apparatus at the point mentioned.

"In accordance with your request for a report on the feasibility of the Boston City Council order for the removal of the siren located at Uphams Corner, Dorchester, I submit the following:

"In my opinion this siren should not be removed, as it greatly expedites the movement of fire apparatus through this heavily congested area by notifying the police officers doing traffic duty, by warning operators of motor vehicles and also pedestrians, thereby reducing to a minimum the possibility of accidents. Traffic lights are in the process of installation in this section, which will add to congestion and confusion if no warning is given that fire apparatus is approaching.

"The siren mentioned is operated from the patrol desk in the quarters of Engine 21, and it is possible, but not probable, for an unauthorized person to sound it during the absence of the company. This objection could be overcome by installing a switch known only to the members of the company. The primary purpose of this signal was to give the fire apparatus a clear way through this area to prevent delay in reaching alarm of fire and at the same time avoid accidents. This siren has been in service many years and exact date of installation would have to be obtained from the Fire Alarm Office.

"Uphams Corner is one of the busiest intersections in Dorchester, and I have been given to understand that there have been accidents in this section prior to the installation of siren, which, no doubt, was the reason this signal was installed.

"In conclusion, I suggest that, in lieu of removing siren, audibility be reduced so that it can be heard only in the immediate area and sounded only between the hours of 7 A.M. and 8 P.M."

I will accept the recommendations of District Chief Lane and order that this siren be sounded in the immediate area and only between the hours of 7 A.M. and 8 P.M.

Respectfully yours,
MICHAEL T. KELLEHER,
Fire Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REPAIR OF WADING POOL, ORCHARD PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 12, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of January 29, 1951, requesting the repairing and complete modernizing of the wading pool in Orchard park, Ward 8.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, February 5, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of memos from the office of the Mayor covering construction of a children's play area in Orchard park, and the modernization of the wading pool at the same location. Under date of January 29, Councilor Hurley introduced two individual orders covering this work.

I have referred the matter to the Chief Engineer for consideration when we definitely know what we can expend from our budget appropriation.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

LOAN FOR CIVIL DEFENSE ACTIVITIES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 12, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith, for approval by your Honorable Body, a loan order to the amount of $500,000 for civil defense plans.

The Civil Defense Department, under the direction of Mr. Joseph L. Malone, is making all possible preparations for the protection of our city and its people in the event of enemy attack. The ordinary expenses of the Civil Defense Department are provided for in the budget as submitted to your Body. In order, however, to prepare for emergencies, it is essential that this department be provided with sufficient moneys to purchase such equipment as air raid sirens and equipment for control centers. It is also necessary that funds be available to match contributions of the state or federal government.

It is obvious that we cannot wait until danger strikes before we make the preparations which are necessary for protection of lives and property, and it is also obvious that adequate preparations involve the expenditure of considerable money. Up to this point, the expenses of the Civil Defense Department have been very moderate, and the availability of the amount herein requested will not mean that this department will expend this money immediately. It will, however, provide the necessary authorization to permit the city to contract for suitable equipment which must be on hand if we are to be prepared for any exigencies.

I therefore most respectfully request that your Honorable Body give this loan appropriation your prompt consideration.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 15A of chapter 639 of the Acts of 1950, the sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) be, and the same hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Director of Civil Defense, to meet the expenses necessary for civil defense activities, and that the City Treasurer be, and hereby is, authorized to issue from time to time, upon request of the Mayor, bonds, notes, or certificates of indebtedness of the City of Boston to said amount.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Mary F. Anderson, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 262 Bennington street, East Boston.

Ruth M. Blanchard, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1161 Washington street.

Nicholas Cipoletta, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Columbia Laundry (Charles Anzalone and Meyer Kravets), for compensation for damage to property at 1 Dove street, Roxbury, caused by defective maintenance of water mains.

Margaret M. Comer, for compensation for damage to property at 23 Kenney street, Jamaica Plain, caused by backing up of sewage.

Florence M. Crandall, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in State street.

Ella E. Driscoll, for compensation for damage to property at 372 Gallivan Boulevard, caused by backing up of sewage.

Mary A. Dunlap, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 17 Wyman street, Jamaica Plain.

Frances Falkson, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Joh E. Gaskin, for compensation for damage to property at 25 Fayette street, caused by leak in water pipe.

Michael J. Lynch, for compensation for damage to property at 118 Appleton street, caused by defective sewer line.

Daniel A. McCurdy, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Faneuil Hall Market.

Eunice C. Murray, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Warren street, Brighton.

Edward R. Niemyski, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

William P. O'Donnell, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Warren F. Pepper, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Lucy Sheedy, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 32 Barnes avenue, East Boston.

E. Takuorian, for compensation for damage to car by fire trucks.

Leon Tobin, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Alford's Arlington Square Alleys, Leo J. Alford, 392 Tremont street, Ward 5, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day.

Executive.

Petition of Bent. E. Benson to be paid an annuity on account of death of his son, William R. Benson, late member of Fire Department.

APPROVAL OF VETERANS' HOUSING PROJECT BY STATE HOUSING BOARD.

Notice was received from the State Housing Board of approval of plans, layout, estimated cost, proposed method of financing, and detailed estimate of expenses and revenue of veterans' housing project in Morton street and Lennoco road, Jamaica Plain, consisting of 115 dwelling units at estimated cost of $1,401,917.

Placed on file.

CONDITIONS IN ACCIDENT WARD, CITY HOSPITAL.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately investigate conditions in the accident ward in the Boston City Hospital, with a view to expediting services on the floor of the accident ward; and be it further

Ordered, That an investigation be made with a view to rectifying the loss of valuables to patients who are admitted on the accident floor.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF SAMUEL BRAFF.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Devon street and Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, in honor of Samuel Braff, a veteran of World War II, who lost his life in the European theater of operations while in the service of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REGRET AT DEATH OF HONORABLE MALCOLM E. NICHOLS.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:
Resolved, That the City Council of Boston, in meeting assembled, hereby expresses its deep regret at the untimely death of the Honorable Malcolm E. Nichols, who filled the offices of Mayor of Boston, State Senator, State Representative, Boston City Councilor, Collector of Internal Revenue, and Chairman of the Transit Department of the City of Boston with distinction and credit to this city.
The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

FENCE ALONG FOOT PASSAGEWAY AT MELVILLE AVENUE.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to erect a fence along the foot passageway at Melville avenue, ending at Centre street, in Dorchester.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPAIR OF FENCE ON SHARP STREET.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair the fence on Sharp street, Dorchester.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

INFORMATION RE ABATEMENTS ON CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Assessing Department be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to submit the names of all commercial properties in Boston on which abatements were granted in 1950, including the amount of abatement in each case. Said order shall apply only to commercial properties exceeding $200,000 in valuation.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

IDENTIFYING PENNANT FOR VEHICLES IN FUNERAL PROCESSIONS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Massachusetts Funeral Directors Association be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to require all members of their association to equip all vehicles used by them in funeral processions in the City of Boston with an identifying pennant or symbol.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

SANDING OF ICY SIDEWALKS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to place adequate sand boxes throughout the city, so that the public may have an opportunity of sanding their icy sidewalks, which is absolutely necessary because of the great many people that have been taken to the Boston City Hospital with broken legs, fractured hips, and other injuries.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION RE CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, favors the enactment of an amendment to chapter 521 of the Acts of 1922, now pending before the Massachusetts Legislature, providing that a member of the retirement system who has contributed 4 per cent for a period of 30 years and retires at the age of seventy shall be retired from the service at 65 per cent of the highest annual rate of compensation paid to him while holding the grade held by him at his retirement and payable from the same source.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

The Reverend Father Quirbach was escorted from the chamber by Councilor Kinsella.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Coffey, the Council voted at 2.34 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman WENZLER at 4.53 P.M.

PROCURING LAND OWNED BY RAILROAD AS PLAYGROUND.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor and the Park Commissioner confer with the officials of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad as to the possibility of procuring the land owned by the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad which is bounded by Bismarck street, Cummins Highway, and Greenfield road, and making it a play area for the children of that district.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:
1. Report on petition of Holyhood Cemetery Association (referred August 21, 1950) for permit to use for burial purposes land neighboring Saint Joseph's Cemetery in West Roxbury—recommending passage of following order:
Ordered, That permission be hereby granted to the Holyhood Cemetery Association to use for burial purposes a parcel of land neighboring St. Joseph's Cemetery in West Roxbury containing approximately 66 acres, as shown on a plan by James M. Driscoll, C. E., dated July 31, 1950, and filed herewith, and bounded and described as follows:
Beginning at a point on the westerly side of Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway at the intersection of the northerly bound of land now or formerly of Boston Edison Company; thence westerly by said land of Boston Edison Company, eight hundred and ten (810) feet, more or less, to the channel of the Old Brook; thence southwesterly by the channel of the Old Brook, one hundred and seventy (170) feet, more or less, to land now or formerly of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad; thence westerly by said land of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad by a broken line with a triangular indentation, seven hundred seventeen and 3-100 (717.03) feet to Gardner street; thence northwesterly by Gardner street, two hundred three and 54-100 (203.54) feet, to the southerly side of High street; thence northeasterly by High street, one hundred thirty (130) feet; thence northwesterly by High street and by land now or formerly of Ava M. Noone, two hundred and fifteen (215) feet, more or less; thence northeasterly by said land now or formerly of Ava M. Noone, by a broken line, seven hundred five and 73-100 (705.73) feet; thence northwesterly by other land of the petitioner to the easterly extremity of land now or formerly of Ava M. Noone; thence northwesterly by land now or formerly of said Noone; eight hundred eighteen (818) feet, more or less, to Saw Mill Brook; thence northeasterly by the channel of said Saw Mill Brook, four hundred twenty-five (425) feet, more or less, to a ditch; thence southeasterly through the center of said ditch, two hundred twenty-five (225) feet, more or less; thence northeasterly by the estate now or formerly known as Brook Farm, being land formerly of James Freeman Clark, seventeen hundred (1,700) feet, more or less, to Baker street; thence southeasterly by Baker street, one hundred (100) feet, more or less; thence southerly by Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway by a curved line with triangular indentions, as shown on plan by Aspinwall and Lincoln dated February 16, 1932, and recorded in Suffolk Registry

of Deeds, sixteen hundred thirty (1,630) feet, more or less; thence southwesterly by land formerly of James Smith, three hundred sixteen and 34–100 (316.34) feet, more or less; thence southeasterly by seven lines, measuring, respectively, eighty-six and 10–100 (86.10) feet, forty and 46–100 (40.46) feet, forty-four and 96–100 (44.96) feet, forty-three and 50–100 (43.50) feet, forty-four and 68–100 (44.68) feet, three hundred twenty-five and 46–100 (325.46) feet, and two hundred fifty-five and 56–100 (255.56) feet, a total of eight hundred forty and 72–100 (840.72) feet to said Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway; thence southerly on said Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway by two curved lines measuring, respectively, five hundred nineteen and 23–100 (519.23) feet, more or less, and sixty-six and 39–100 (66.39) feet, a total of five hundred eighty-five and 62–100 (585.62) feet to the point of beginning.

Permission to use the aforesaid land for burial purposes is hereby granted on the following conditions:

(a) No interments shall be made in any portion of the tract of land in question, where the ground-water high level is less than six feet below the existing or proposed surface of the ground.

(b) No interments shall be made in any portion of the tract of land in question unless the ground refill shall be six feet or more above the ground water high level for a distance not less than twenty-five (25) feet from the place of interment.

(c) No interments shall be made in any land which shall have been filled less than one year prior to interment.

(d) No interment shall be made in any portion of the land in question less than fifty (50) feet from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, nor within fifty (50) feet of any land, or lands, not owned by your petitioner, where such land, or lands, on the Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, abuts the land of the proposed cemetery, and is residential land.

(e) Provisions will be made for the free flow of all vehicles which may be used in the usual funeral corteges as to entrances and exits to the cemetery, as shown on a plan filed herewith, marked "Plan Accompanying Amended Petition of Holyhood Cemetery Association."

(f) No funeral entrances or exits to or from the cemetery shall be closer than one hundred (100) yards from land or dwellings not the property of the Holyhood Cemetery Association, except that this provision shall not apply where an accepted street or a public highway intervenes. The proposed entrances and exits are shown on the plan referred to in clause (c) of this paragraph.

(g) Entrances and exits for funerals shall not be established within one hundred (100) yards of the junction of Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway and Baker street. The proposed entrances and exits are shown on the plan referred to in clause (e) of this paragraph.

(h) It will observe and comply with all of the provisions of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with chapter 40, section 15, of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 of the City of Boston, and all other city ordinances and all lawful rules and regulations applicable to cemeteries.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on petition of Anna M. Nolan (referred January 8) for payment of annuity on account of death of her husband, William J. Nolan, member of the Fire Department who died on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty — recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of $1,500 dollars be allowed and paid to Anna M. Nolan, widow of William J. Nolan, a member of the Fire Department who died on December 22, 1950, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty, said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

3. Report on petition of Christine Mehegan (referred August 21, 1950) for payment of annuity on account of death of her husband, John J. Mehegan, member of the Police Department who died on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty — recommending passage of the following order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of two thousand four hundred thirty-six dollars ($2,436) be allowed and paid to Christine Mehegan, widow of John J. Mehegan, a member of the Police Department who died on January 11, 1950, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity being made up of allowances as follows:

For the widow, Christine Mehegan, so long as she remains unmarried, $1,500 per annum.

For each of the following-named children during such time as he or she is under the age of eighteen or over said age and physically or mentally incapacitated from earning, $312.00 per annum: Joan Mehegan, born March 27, 1938; John Mehegan, born November 20, 1939; Richard Mehegan, born June 20, 1943; provided, however, that if the widow remarries the annuity for said children shall be $520 during the remainder of the time aforesaid; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

4. Report on petition of Thomas F. Teehan, chief probation officer of the Municipal Court, Roxbury District (referred January 29), for retirement as veteran — recommending passage of the following order:

Whereas, Thomas F. Teehan, employed in the service of the County of Suffolk as chief probation officer in the Probation Division of the Roxbury Court, has made application to be retired under the provisions of section 58 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended; and

Whereas, The said Thomas F. Teehan has submitted to the City Council satisfactory evidence that he is a veteran as defined in section 56 of chapter 32 of the General Laws; and that he has been in the service of the county for a total period of 30 years in the aggregate;

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 58 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended, Thomas F. Teehan, employed in the County of Suffolk as chief probation officer in the Probation Division of the Roxbury Court, be, and hereby is, retired by the Mayor and City Council, acting as county commissioners, at an annual pension of $4,095, being 65 per cent of his highest regular rate of compensation.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred February 5) of Edmund G. Dalton, Jr., and Stanley Bezubka as Weighers of Goods — recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred February 5) of William B. Harlow as Weigher of Coal and Weigher of Goods — recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Yerxa and Shanley, whole number of ballots, 14, yeas 14, and the appointments were confirmed.

HEARINGS ON ANNUAL BUDGET.

Coun. SHANLEY, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, announced that hearings on the budget for 1951, as submitted by the Mayor, would start Tuesday, February 13, at 11 A.M., and would continue on every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday until completion, and all members of the Council were invited to attend the hearings.

PARKING METERS ON OFF-STREET PARKING LAND.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to order the Board of Real Estate Commissioners not to lease any more city-owned land for off-street parking purposes, in view of the fact

that the automobile owners are now being seriously overtaxed by gasoline taxes; and be it further

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be instructed to install parking meters on all off-street parking areas owned by the city, on a basis which will permit motorists to park for the price of five cents per hour; and be it further

Ordered, That if legislation is necessary to establish and regulate this policy, his Honor the Mayor immediately instruct the Corporation Counsel to prepare and present proper legislation.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS ON CARLISLE STREET.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the gas lamps with electric lights on Carlisle street in Ward 12.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NIGHT TAGGING OF AUTOMOBILES.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner and Police Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to let up on night tagging of cars, in so far as there is no place for cars to go or no garage space for them, and look into the feasibility of making three-lane streets with parking on one side, either the north or south side, which I believe will not interfere with the flow of traffic or fire apparatus, because this is a further burden on motor vehicle owners who are now taxed for practically everything possible.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE MEDICAL CHECKS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Welfare Department and Old Age Assistance Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to do something to alleviate the congestion of nonpayment of Old Age Assistance medical checks, where some people have not received a check for medicine and medical care for as far back as six months; and where this integration was supposed to alleviate this condition, it is now a very serious situation.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 5 P.M., on motion of Councilor Chase, to meet on Monday, February 19, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Thursday, February 15, 1951.

Special meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 1 P.M. President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Beades, Chase, Cook, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Sullivan, and P. A. Tracy.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

The meeting was held pursuant to the following call:

City of Boston,
Office of the City Clerk,
February 13, 1951.

A special meeting of the City Council will be held in its Chamber, City Hall, on Thursday, February 15, 1951, at 1 o'clock P.M.

By order of the court.

W. J. MALLOY,
City Clerk.

Subject: To Draw Jurors.

Placed on file.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Wenzler presiding at the box, in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Three additional grand jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear March 5, 1951:

Louis Singer, Ward 14; Lester W. Monarch, Ward 18; Matthew J. Lavin, Ward 21.

The purpose for which this meeting was called having been accomplished, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 1.09 P.M.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, February 19, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair.

Absent, Councilor Lane.

The Reverend Father Francis X. Quinn, Pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, West End, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION
BY REV. FATHER FRANCIS X. QUINN.

Father QUINN. O God, our Father, Eternal Judge, Omniscient Councilor in the councils of men, attend, we implore Thee, upon the deliberations of this esteemed Body. Inform the minds of this Boston City Council with an inflexible ambition and determined resolve to promote the welfare of their fellowmen and to serve God and country. Make their efforts achieve their aims and make them make a significant contribution to the good government of this, our great city, in these times of confusion. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

RESURFACING OF WASHINGTON STREET, DORCHESTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 19, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of January 29, 1951, requesting that the City Council be furnished a report on the recent resurfacing of Washington street in Dorchester, with particular emphasis on the street which is in washboard condition, in order that the Council may determine whether the conditions of the contract for resurfacing this street have been lived up to.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
February 16, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of January 29:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to furnish the City Council a report on the recent resurfacing of Washington street in Dorchester, with particular emphasis on the street which is in washboard condition, in order that the Council may determine whether the conditions of the contract for resurfacing this street have been lived up to."

If my memory serves me right, this is the second such order that has been passed recently concerning the above street. I presume that the section of Washington street referred to is from Bowdoin street to Codman square, because this is the area included in the district covered by Councilor Farin, the sponsor of this order.

A contract for resurfacing this section of Washington street was awarded on July 31 of last year, to Baker & Co., and work started on August 10. The work was completed September 6, at a cost to the city of $33,668.90. The contractor involved is one of the best in the city and enjoys a well-deserved reputation for doing good work.

I inspected this street on previous occasions, but in view of the current Council order, I revisited the site yesterday for the purpose of further inspecting it. The roadway surface of the section of Washington street from Bowdoin street to Codman square is in a very satisfactory condition, rides well, and compares favorably with the many other miles of sheet asphalt streets that we have in this city.

It is very difficult to eliminate all ripples and waves from a sheet asphalt surface, particularly on a so-called cover project, such as was done in Washington street. The old street surface and car tracks were covered, and we were required, during the construction period, to keep one-half of the street open for the passage of the trackless trolleys and for the convenience of the merchants at the Codman square end of the project. In keeping one-half of the street open, the contractor was restricted in his operations and did not have the freedom that he would have had in resurfacing a less important highway. In view of the conditions under which the contractor was required to work, I think he did an excellent job, and it is my unqualified opinion that he complied with all provisions of the specifications in detail. There are a few surface ripples in the roadway areas, but to describe the surface as a washboard is a gross exaggeration. If a highway were reconstructed under the same conditions that obtain in a laboratory, we would be able to produce a surface free of all imperfections. However, no such conditions prevail in the actual performance of our street-resurfacing work and, as in the case of Washington street, a contractor engaged on a highway project involving a main traffic artery generally works under conditions that cannot be considered as ideal.

The resurfacing of Washington street, Dorchester, from Codman square to Blue Hill avenue, was one of the most needed and most desirable highway improvements effected in the Dorchester district in years. The work, in general, was well done and will stand the test of time for many years to come.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ADEQUATE SAND BOXES THROUGHOUT CITY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 19, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of February 12, 1951, requesting the placement of adequate sand boxes throughout the city, so that the public may have an opportunity of sanding their icy sidewalks.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
February 16, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of February 12:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner, through his Honor the Mayor, be requested to place adequate sand boxes throughout the city so that the public may have an opportunity of sanding their icy sidewalks, which is absolutely necessary because of the great many people that have been taken to the Boston City Hospital with broken legs, fractured hips and other injuries."

While I am in entire sympathy with the purpose of the order, the fact of the matter is that it is a physical impossibility, in a city of our size, to place and continue to service a sufficient number of sand boxes throughout the city to serve all of the residents. In most cases, the conditions referred to in the above order can be eliminated if the sidewalks are cleared of snow immediately following the ending of a storm. The worst conditions

exist in those locations where the sidewalk shoveling has been done in a careless manner, or not at all.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF MILTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 19, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of January 22, 1951, requesting the acceptance and laying out as a public way of Milton street in East Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
February 13, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated January 22, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Street Laying-Out Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out a public way, Milton street in East Boston."

In 1949 the Metropolitan Transit Authority proposed relocating a group of dwellings situated on their right of way. Land for this purpose was acquired on Milton street, in the block between Harmony street and Moore street. At the request of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, that portion of Milton street was laid out and accepted under the name of Horace street, and the Public Works Department plans to construct it early in the coming year.

The only remaining unaccepted portion of Milton street extends northeasterly from Wordsworth street through vacant land and there is no through public travel which would justify it's laying out.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

LEASING OF FIRE DEPARTMENT BUILDING ON NORTHAMPTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 19, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Fire Commissioner relative to your order of January 29, 1951, requesting the leasing or renting to Boston City Hospital Post of the American Legion, the Fire Department building located on Northampton street, between Washington street and Harrison avenue.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Fire Department, February 1, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

I am returning herewith order of the City Council which reads as follows:

"Ordered, That the Fire Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to lease or rent to the Boston City Hospital Post of the American Legion, the Fire Department building located on Northampton street, between Washington street and Harrison avenue."

In City Council January 29, 1951. Passed.

Attest:
W. J. MALLOY, City Clerk.

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The records of this department show that under date of July 19, 1948, the then Mayor of Boston, James M. Curley, approved of the transfer of Engine 23 fire station to the care, custody, and control of the Public Buildings Department, inasmuch as the location was no longer required for Fire Department purposes.

Keys to the property were forwarded to the Superintendent of the Public Buildings Department and the station was officially turned over to that department, August 13, 1948.

It is my understanding that for some time after the transfer became effective the fire station was occupied by the Overseers of the Public Welfare awaiting completion of their new building on Fayette street.

In my opinion the Fire Department has not had control of the building since August 13, 1948, and I therefore suggest that the City Council order be forwarded to the Superintendent of Public Buildings.

Respectfully yours,
M. T. KELLEHER,
Fire Commissioner.

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City of Boston,
Public Buildings Department,
February 12, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

In reply to recent communication from the Mayor's office concerning the Fire Commissioner's inquiry about the old Engine 23 fire station located on Northampton street, between Washington street and Harrison avenue.

The above-mentioned building is now occupied, and has been for some time, by the Overseers of the Public Welfare.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE P. DONOVAN, Superintendent.

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PARKING METERS ON OFF-STREET PARKING LAND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 19, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Real Estate Commissioners relative to your order of February 12, 1951, requesting that there be no more leasing of city-owned land for off-street parking purposes; also to instruct the Board of Street Commissioners to install parking meters on all off-street parking areas owned by the city, on a basis that will permit motorists to park for the price of five cents per hour.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Real Estate Commissioners,
February 16, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Subject: City Council Order of February 12, 1951, Concerning City-Owned Off-Street Parking Facilities.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

Paragraph 1 of said order states: "That his Honor the Mayor be requested to order the Board of Real Estate Commissioners not to lease any more city-owned land for off-street parking purposes, in view of the fact that the automobile owners are now being seriously overtaxed by gasoline taxes," is repugnant to chapter 474 of the Acts of 1946, in which the powers and duties of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners concerning off-street parking are enumerated.

Paragraph 2 of said order states: "That the Board of Street Commissioners be instructed to install parking meters on all off-street parking areas owned by the city, on a basis which will permit motorists to park for the price of five cents per hour," is contrary to the provisions of said chapter 474 of the Acts of 1946, as amended, since section 1 of said Act specifically prohibits the city from operating any parking facility established or acquired under this Act.

Paragraph 3 of said order states: "That if legislation is necessary to establish and regulate this policy, his Honor the Mayor immediately instruct the Corporation Counsel to prepare and present proper legislation." Amendments

would be necessary to existing legislation to carry out the specific provisions of said Council orders.

I affix hereto a copy of the pertinent laws.

Very truly yours,
HERMAN CARP, Chairman.

(Appended was copy of the laws referred to.)

Placed on file.

BUSES ON FANEUIL BUS LINE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 19, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the General Manager of the Metropolitan Transit Authority relative to your order of February 5, 1951, requesting a consultation relative to increasing the number of buses on the Faneuil bus line and to reroute these additional buses from Brooks street on to Faneuil street and proceed to the Oak square center in Ward 22.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
February 9, 1951.

Mr. Thomas J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

In reply to your letter of February 7, with order of the City Council requesting that his Honor the Mayor consult with the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority relative to extension of bus service on the Faneuil line to Oak square, I would say that a similar request was considered by our Board of Trustees at its meeting on January 3, 1951, and I was instructed to advise that this line was established to serve a growing territory, which was without transportation facilities, and even at the present time it does not produce sufficient revenue to meet the cost of service.

To extend the service to Oak square would increase the operating cost by approximately $17,000 per year and cause a rerouting of traffic in a manner which would be uneconomical. In other words, the cost of extending the service to Oak square and the rerouting of traffic would outweigh the convenience to a relatively few people.

While our Trustees are always willing to give consideration to requests for additional service, it is their responsibility, as provided in chapter 544 of the Acts of 1947, to "determine the character and extent of the services and facilities to be furnished, and in these respects their authority shall be exclusive and shall not be subject to the approval, control or direction of any state, municipal or other department, board or commission."

Such consideration has been given to the request for extension of the Faneuil service to Oak square, and the Trustees do not feel that it can be justified under present conditions.

Yours very truly,
EDWARD DANA, General Manager.

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BRANCH OF CITY HOSPITAL ON MORTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 19, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Superintendent of the Boston City Hospital relative to your order of January 15, 1951, requesting the establishment of a branch of the City Hospital on the site of the Massachusetts Memorial Hospital on Morton street, Forest Hills.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Hospital Department, February 12, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The following order of the City Council has been presented to the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to establish a branch of the City Hospital on the site of the Massachusetts Memorial Hospital on Morton street, Forest Hills."

It is the considered opinion of the Trustees that the acquisition of the Massachusetts Memorial Hospital on Morton street, Forest Hills, would serve no useful purpose.

Sincerely yours,
J. W. MANARY, Superintendent.

Placed on file.

HOSPITAL AMBULANCE FOR BRIGHTON AND ALLSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 19, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Superintendent of the Boston City Hospital relative to your order of February 5, 1951, concerning the stationing of a hospital ambulance at Division 14 of the Police Department in the Brighton and Allston area for the purpose of conveying patients to the hospital.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Hospital Department, February 14, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held on Friday, February 9, a communication from the City Council was presented stating: "City Council, Ordered, That the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to station a hospital ambulance at Division 14 of the Police Department in the Brighton and Allston area for the purpose of conveying patients to the hospital."

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a communication sent to you under date of December 8, by Dr. Martin J. English, President, Board of Trustees, with regard to ambulance service in the Brighton and Allston area.

Very truly yours,
J. W. MANARY, M.D., Superintendent.

City of Boston,
Hospital Department, December 8, 1950.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The Board of Trustees has considered the enclosure contained in your letter of November 16, being an order of the City Council adopted November 13, 1950, regarding a subambulatory station at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Brighton.

You are respectfully advised that in the opinion of this Board the locating of a City Hospital ambulance in Brighton, as suggested by the Council order, is neither practical or necessary. It could not be provided without the expenditure of at least $8,000 for a new ambulance and an annual expense of drivers' salaries and maintenance exceeding $10,000. Such an installation, if made, would be an innovation and would undoubtedly lead to similar requests from other localities.

In our judgment, the expense would be prohibitive.

After telephonic communication with Commissioner Sullivan, the Police Commissioner stated that there were two ambulances in good order at the Brighton Station, and that in his opinion, they were adequate to supply the Brighton and Allston needs.

Sincerely yours,
BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
MARTIN J. ENGLISH, President.

Placed on file.

COPIES OF 1951 BUDGET FOR COUNCILORS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 19, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Budget Commissioner relative to your order of

February 8, 1951, requesting that copies of the proposed 1951 city budget be submitted to the city councilors so that each councilor may have sufficient time to study diligently before voting upon said budget.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, February 13, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of Council order of February 5, 1951, and reading as follows:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor submit copies of the proposed 1951 city budget to the city councilors so that each councilor may have sufficient time to study the budget diligently before voting upon said budget."

Each year, copies of the Mayor's budget are printed as a document by the City Printing Department and distributed to the City Council and others interested, by the document man attached to the City Council. The 1951 budget document is now in the hands of the City Printing Department and will be ready for distribution by February 13, 1951.

Very truly yours,
John A. Sullivan,
Budget Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF ROTARY TRAFFIC CIRCLE, ANDREW SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 19, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of February 5, 1951, requesting the removal of the rotary traffic circle in Andrew square, and that the Metropolitan Transit Authority be notified to move the tracks in the square so that they will bring the streetcars directly through instead of making the wide circle as they do at the present time.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
February 8, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of February 5, requesting the removal of the rotary traffic circle in Andrew square, I wish to report that the commission is now actively engaged in a study of this subject and a meeting of the engineers from all city, state, and related utility departments has been held.

An effort is being made to coordinate all of the proposals which have been made from various quarters and to adopt what may be considered to be the best one and, likewise, to adopt any temporary plan which would give relief while a longer ranged and more comprehensive construction program is in preparation.

Respectfully yours,
Wm. Arthur Reilly, Commissioner.

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NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF SAMUEL BRAFF.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 19, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the secretary to the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 12, 1951, requesting to name the square at the corner of Devon street and Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, in honor of Samuel Braff, a veteran of World War II, who lost his life in the European theater of operations while in the service of his country.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
February 16, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order of February 12, 1951, introduced by Councilor Ansel to name the intersection at the junction of Devon street and Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, in honor of Samuel Braff, I beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is not scheduled until May, at which time this order will be given every consideration by the committee.

Very truly yours,
L. W. Costello, Secretary.

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SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION OF $2,489,750.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Budget Department, February 19, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

After giving the question of salary increases for city and county employees considerable thought, and after meeting with representatives of various employee groups, I have come to the conclusion that a $200 increase in wages to employees should be put into effect beginning in April of this year. This increase to be in addition to sliding-scale increases in effect for many employees.

The cost of living has increased measurably since last year. The average city employee is having difficulty meeting the financial costs of maintaining his home and providing the necessities of life. While the increase in wages will not entirely meet the increased costs which have occurred since last year, nevertheless, it is of definite assistance to the employee, and it is as much as the city, within its present financial abilities, can pay. The salary increases provided for in the present appropriation, plus those which must be provided for the school department, will entail an increase in the tax rate of approximately $2.

I respectfully request that your Honorable Body give this supplementary appropriation consideration in connection with the budget appropriations now before your Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

Ordered, That the respective sums of money specified in the schedules hereinafter set out be, and hereby are, appropriated for the purposes hereinafter specified, said sums to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates of the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereinafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes and interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for; and that the expenditures for Income Departments be met from the income of such departments and that any expenditures in excess of the income be met from taxes.

CITY MAINTENANCE.

01 – 00 General Government.

	01 – 11 Mayor, Office Expenses.	
1.	Personal Services	$4,200
	01 – 12 City Council.	
1.	Personal Services	2,250
	01 – 21 Election Department.	
1.	Personal Services	9,150
	01 – 31 Auditing Department.	
1.	Personal Services	6 300
	01 – 32 Central Payroll Division.	
1.	Personal Services	1,800
	01 – 34 Budget Department.	
1.	Personal Services	1,200
	01 – 36 Assessing Department.	
1.	Personal Services	25,950
	01 – 37 Collecting Department.	
1.	Personal Services	7,500
	01 – 41 Treasury Department.	
1.	Personal Services	5,550
	01 – 43 Supply Department.	
1.	Personal Services	7,800
	01 – 51 Law Department.	
1.	Personal Services	11,550

01 – 61 City Clerk Department.
1. Personal Services..... $3,300
01 – 63 Registry Department.
1. Personal Services..... 5,850
01 – 64 Statistics Department.
1. Personal Services..... 1,050
01 – 71 City Planning Board.
1. Personal Services..... 2,850
01 – 81 Public Buildings Department.
1. Personal Services..... 35,100
01 – 91 Boston Retirement Board.
1. Personal Services..... 3,300
01 – 94 Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests 450
01 – 95 Public Celebrations..... 450
01 – 96 Public Works Department, Central Office.
1. Personal Services..... 1,500
01 – 97 Public Works Department, Automotive Division.
1. Personal Services..... 21,150

02 – 00 Public Safety.

02 – 11 Police Department.
1. Personal Services..... $448,900
02 – 21 Fire Department.
1. Personal Services..... 350,450
02 – 34 Electrical Inspection Division.
1. Personal Services..... 5,700
02 – 31 Building Department.
1. Personal Services..... 17,850
02 – 32 Board of Appeal.
1. Personal Services..... 1,050
02 – 33 Board of Examiners.
1. Personal Services..... 600
02 – 35 Weights and Measures Department.
1. Personal Services..... 3,000
02 – 36 Licensing Board.
1. Personal Services..... 3,000
02 – 41 Civil Defense Activities..... 1,500

03 – 00 Highways.

03 – 11 Bridge Service.
1. Personal Services..... $37,950
03 – 21 Lighting Service.
1. Personal Services..... 450
03 – 12 Paving Service.
1. Personal Services..... 59,800
03 – 13 Street Laying-Out Department.
1. Personal Services..... 11,850
03 – 41 Boston Traffic Commission.
1. Personal Services..... 18,000

04 – 00 Sanitation.

04 – 11 Sewer Service.
1. Personal Services..... $38,700
04 – 21 Sanitary Service.
1. Personal Services..... 112,300

05 – 00 Health.

05 – 21 Health Department.
1. Personal Services..... $59,900
25 – 11 Federal Public Health Program 2,250

06 – 00 Hospitals.

06 – 11 Hospital Department.
1. Personal Services..... $429,450
06 – 21 Hospital Department, Sanatorium Division.
1. Personal Services..... 74,950
06 – 31 Institutions Department, Long Island Hospital.
1. Personal Services..... 50,075
06 – 32 Institutions Department, Eastern Avenue Wharf.
1. Personal Services..... 750
06 – 33 Institutions Department, Steamers.
1. Personal Services 2,650

07 – 00 Public Welfare.

07 – 62 Public Welfare Department, Central Office.
1. Personal Services..... $102,900
07 – 11 Public Welfare Department, Temporary Home.
1. Personal Services..... 1,950
07 – 12 Public Welfare Department, Wayfarers' Lodge.
1. Personal Services..... 750
07 – 61 Institutions Department, Central Office.
1. Personal Services..... 3,450
07 – 51 Institutions Department, Child Welfare Division.
1. Personal Services..... $4,800
07 – 41 Department of Veterans' Services.
1. Personal Services..... 13,050

10 – 00 Libraries.

10 – 11 Library Department.
1. Personal Services..... $88,050

11 – 00 Recreation.

11 – 42 Board of Recreation.
1. Personal Services..... $115,650

71 – 00 Enterprises.

71 – 14 Ferry Service.
1. Personal Services..... $12,600
13 – 61 City Record, Publication of.
1. Personal Services..... 300

13 – 00 Unclassified.

13 – 11 Market Division.
1. Personal Services..... $1,350
13 – 21 Cemetery Division.
1. Personal Services..... 11,400
13 – 41 Public Works Department, Workmen's Compensation Services.
1. Personal Services..... 100
13 – 41 Law Department, Workmen's Compensation Services.
1. Personal Services..... 800
13 – 51 Municipal Employment Bureau.
1. Personal Services..... 1,050
13 – 71 Art Department.
1. Personal Services..... 75
13 – 72 Board of Real Estate Commissioners.
1. Personal Services..... 2,550
13 – 76 Care of Veterans' Graves.
1. Personal Services..... 600
13 – 77 Bond Allotment Plan..... 3,000

COUNTY MAINTENANCE.

01 – 00 General Government.

03 – 33 Miscellaneous Expenses, Auditing Department.
1. Personal Services..... $2,250
01 – 35 Miscellaneous Expenses, Budget.
1. Personal Services..... 1,050
01 – 42 Miscellaneous Expenses, Treasury Department.
1. Personal Services..... 150
01 – 65 Registry of Deeds.
1. Personal Services..... 13,650
01 – 66 Index Commissioners.
1. Personal Services..... 2,100
01 – 82 Court House Custodian.
1. Personal Services..... 22,650
01 – 83 County Buildings.
1. Personal Services..... 7,500

08 – 00 Correction.

08 – 11 Jail.
1. Personal Services..... $13,200
08 – 12 Penal Institutions Department, Central Office.
1. Personal Services..... 2,400
08 – 13 House of Correction.
1. Personal Services..... 19,200

12 – 00 Judicial.

12 – 11 Supreme Judicial Court.
1. Personal Services..... $1,200
12 – 12 Superior Court, Civil Session, General Expenses.
1. Personal Services..... 150
12 – 13 Superior Court, Civil Session, Clerk's Office.
1. Personal Services..... 12,300
12 – 14 Superior Court, Criminal Session.
1. Personal Services..... 9,150
12 – 15 Municipal Court of the City of Boston.
1. Personal Services..... 11,550
12 – 16 Boston Juvenile Court.
1. Personal Services..... 750

12 – 20 District Courts.

12 – 21 Municipal Court, Charlestown District.
1. Personal Services..... $1,050
12 – 22 East Boston District Court.
1. Personal Services..... 1,350

12 - 23 Municipal Court, South Boston District.
1. Personal Services..... $1,050
12 - 24 Municipal Court, Dorchester District.
1. Personal Services..... 1,800
12 - 25 Municipal Court, Roxbury District.
1. Personal Services..... 4,200
12 - 26 Municipal Court, West Roxbury District.
1. Personal Services..... 1,500
12 - 27 Municipal Court, Brighton District.
1. Personal Services..... 750
12 - 28 District Court of Chelsea.
1. Personal Services..... 750

12 - 30 MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS.

12 - 31 Medical Examiner, Northern Division.
1. Personal Services..... $1,200
12 - 32 Medical Examiner, Southern Division.
1. Personal Services..... 600

12 - 40 UNCLASSIFIED.

12 - 43 Miscellaneous Expenses, Sheriff.
1. Personal Services..... $150

INCOME DEPARTMENTS.

71 - 00 ENTERPRISES.

71 - 12 Public Works Department, Water Service.
1. Personal Services..... $75,450
71 - 13 Collecting Department, Water Division.
1. Personal Services..... 6,600
71 - 11 Public Works Department, Sumner Tunnel.
1. Personal Services..... 17,250
13 - 62 Printing Department.
1. Personal Services..... 3,000

GRAND SUMMARY.

CITY MAINTENANCE	$2,253,800
COUNTY MAINTENANCE	133,650
Total	$2,387,450
INCOME DEPARTMENTS	102,300
Grand Total	$2,489,750

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

Edward R. Brosemer, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Joseph B. Dickey, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Dr. Charles E. Dolan, for compensation for damage to property at 164 Longwood avenue, caused by overflow of catch basin.

Max Epstein, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Falcione Brothers, Inc., for compensation for damage to truck by truck of Fire Department.

Jay M. Finn, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Ralph J. Gilman, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Richard N. Holt, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Eleanor L. Kelley, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1863 Commonwealth avenue.

Alice H. Langill, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Louis A. McCoy, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Julio F. Perno, for compensation for damage to car by patrol wagon.

Edward G. Peterson, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Tillie Sidman, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 447 Norfolk street.

Paul Smith, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

John G. Sullivan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

John G. Sullivan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Nicholas Tamasso, for compensation for loss of shoes at City Hospital.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petition for children under 15 years of age to appear at place of public amusement, viz.:

Aaron Richmond, Jordan Hall, March 4.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

MEETINGS OF OLD SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Notice was received from the Secretary of annual meeting of the Old South Association at 2.30 P.M., and meeting of the Board of Managers immediately following adjournment of annual meeting, at Old South Meeting House on February 28, 1951.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARINGS BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notices were received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearings as follows:

Hearing on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority to operate trackless trolleys on Bennington street, East Boston, to be held on March 6 at 10 A.M.

Hearing on rates and charges of the Boston, Worcester, and New York Street Railway Company, to be held March 26 at 10 A.M.

Hearing on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate trackless trolleys on certain streets in West Roxbury, to be held on February 27 at 10 A.M.

Severally placed on file.

NOTICE FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Copy of order was received from the Department of Public Utilities re petition of Airways Transportation Company on picking up and discharge of passengers in City of Boston.

Placed on file.

BOSTON CENTRAL ARTERY.

Copy of layout and order on taking of portion of Boston Central Artery was received from the State Department of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Legislative Matters, made a report on matters pending before the Legislature and hearings before various committees on bills concerning the City of Boston. At the request of Councilor Beades copies of the bills pending were distributed to the Council members.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS WITH ARC LIGHTS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the present gas lamps with arc lights, to provide more adequate protection for the pedestrians on East Second street, between Dorchester and M streets, South Boston.

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the present gas lamps with arc lights, to provide more adequate protection for the pedestrians on East Fifth street, from I street to L street, South Boston.

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to

replace the present gas lamps with arc lights, to provide more adequate protection for the pedestrians on East Third street, between N street and Farragut road, South Boston.

Severally passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF AUDIT OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Clerk be authorized to have printed as a City Document a summary of the essential features of the report of an audit of the accounts of various departments of the City of Boston, made by the Division of Accounts of the Department of Corporations and Taxation, dated December 8, 1950; the expense of same to be charged to the Appropriation for City Documents.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT YEOMAN AND ALBANY STREETS.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange for the installation of traffic signal lights at Yeoman and Albany streets, Ward 8.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TITLE OF OFFICERS OF CITY COUNCIL.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-One.

An Ordinance Concerning Title of Officers Connected with the City Council.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

Section five of chapter three of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as most recently amended by chapter six of the Ordinances of 1949, is hereby further amended by striking out in the clause determining the salaries of officers connected with the City Council the words "two stenographer-clerks, each at thirty-six hundred dollars", and inserting in place thereof the words "two secretaries, each at thirty-six hundred dollars."

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

ASSIGNMENT OF STREETS AS COASTING AREAS.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Law Department relative to the presentation of legislation or change of City Ordinances and Police Regulations governing the assignment of streets as coasting areas for our youth, particularly with regard to the hours for which these streets may be used with safety by our children and citizens.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPLACING OF BRICK SIDEWALKS, WARD 13.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Public Works Commissioner to replace the existing brick sidewalks with granolithic sidewalks on Brookford street and Folsom street in Ward 13, Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING OF SALCOMBE STREET AND WINDERMERE ROAD.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Public Works Commissioner to resurface Salcombe street and Windermere road, Ward 13.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

WITHHOLDING TAX ON NONRESIDENT EMPLOYEES.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council in meeting assembled records itself as in favor of the adoption of a 1 per cent withholding payroll tax on nonresident employees of the City of Boston, as opposed to a general sales tax.

Referred to Committee on Legislative Matters.

REGULATIONS GOVERNING TAXICABS IN BOSTON.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Whereas, Taxicabs from surrounding cities and towns are now soliciting fares on the streets of Boston, and

Whereas, This practice seriously cuts into the business of Boston licensed cabs and operators, depriving them of a fair deal in a highly competitive business, and

Whereas, Should Boston operators be apprehended in the home city, or town, of these violators, they would very promptly be penalized to the full extent of the law, and

Whereas, Boston owners and operators should be given every possible protection against the depredations of these roaming "gypsy" cabs, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council in meeting assembled call upon the Police Commissioner to enforce more rigidly the rules governing taxicab owners and hackney operators doing business in the City of Boston, and to institute some system of enforcement which will rid the streets of Boston of the "gypsy" cabs and give to the Boston licensed operators the fair opportunity for which they are licensed.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

ASCERTAINING DAMAGES IN NEW AERIAL HIGHWAY PROGRAM.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, his Excellency Gov. Paul A. Dever be requested to immediately urge a study by the Joint Committee on Municipal Affairs for the purposes of ascertaining damages for the City of Boston in this new highway aerial program.

Boston will lose some $50,000,000, in taxable property, and the study should devise some medium of relief to Boston taxpayers, and this study should be held immediately so that financial relief may be forthcoming to the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ASSIGNMENT OF ADDITIONAL MEN TO STATION 19.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Police Commissioner assign additional men to Station 19 for the purposes of providing thorough protection in areas where a recent outbreak of breaking and entering homes has taken place in Ward 14.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PROTEST AGAINST RELEASE OF WAR CRIMINALS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Resolved, At meeting assembled of the membership of the Boston City Council held at City Hall, Monday, February 19, 1951, the action of the release of war criminals in Germany be protested by the President of the United States, State Department officials and the leaders of both branches of the United States Congress and Senate; that the release of these war criminals constitutes difficult danger and provides a further threat to democratic free loving people of the world; that the release of these war criminals violates the principles of the Geneva conference in the conduct of warfare, and that the atrocities perpetrated by these war criminals has encouraged the same tactics in other war areas of the world; that at a

meeting assembled of the Boston City Council we urge that the sentences of these Nazi war criminals remain in force, and that any thoughts of release be vigorously opposed by our spokesmen at the United Nations, and be it further

Resolved, That those who have been released very quickly be apprehended again so that the utterances of our supreme commanders in the field of battle that atrocities will not be tolerated and that criminal dictators with complete disregard for the Geneva conference will be prosecuted will not become a mockery, and be it further

Resolved, That our government go very slow in any attempt to arm German manpower, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to President Harry A. Truman and the majority leaders of both the United States Senate and the House of Representatives.

On motion of Councilor Yerxa to refer the resolution to the Committee on Rules, the motion was defeated.

The resolution was assigned to the next meeting.

CONSOLIDATION AND ELIMINATION OF SCHOOLS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Mayor be requested to contact the School Committee, who in turn will inform the Boston City Council as to the proposed rumors and plans of consolidating schools throughout the city and also the proposed elimination of Dorchester High School for Girls, because the people do not believe there should be any closing of Dorchester High School for Girls, insofar as school surveys have pointed out the fact that within the next five years the attendance of all schools throughout the city could possibly get back to normal attendance.

Coun. COFFEY moved that the order be amended by adding the following words:

", and be it further

Ordered, That the Boston City Council places itself on record as opposed to the closing of any schools in the city."

The amendment was passed.

The order as amended was passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment of Thomas McDonough, Jr. (referred February 12), as Weigher of Goods for the term ending April 30, 1951 — recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Coffey and Bryan. Whole number of ballots 14, yeas 14, and the appointment was confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition (referred February 12) of Alford's Arlington Square Alleys, 392 Tremont street, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's Day—that license be granted.

The report was accepted, and the license was granted under the usual conditions.

REPAVING OF WASHINGTON STREET, WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to repave Washington street, from Codman square to River street, Ward 17, and to study the feasibility of straightening out the portion of Washington street at the William Gary Walsh Park by removing the curbstone and taking up a bit of the park.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

ACCEPTANCE OF FOWLE STREET.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out and construct Fowle street, Ward 19, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF HELENA STREET.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out and construct Helena street, Ward 19, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

EXTENSION OF CALL STREET AND ACCEPTANCE OF WOOLSEY SQUARE.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to extend Call street to Green street, through Woolsey square, Ward 19, and to accept, lay out and construct Woolsey square as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF VARIOUS STREETS, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Stearns road, Ward 20, as a public highway.

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Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Vincent road, Ward 20, as a public highway.

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Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Johnson street, Ward 20, as a public highway.

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Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Jacqueline road, Ward 20, as a public highway.

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Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct a portion of 400 feet of Cottage avenue, Ward 20, as a public highway.

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Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct the extension of St. Theresa avenue to Sparrow street, Ward 20, as a public highway.

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Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Carlson Circle, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Severally passed under suspension of the rules.

USE OF INCOME OF PARKMAN FUND.

Coun. BRYAN and YERXA offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to ensure that all moneys of the Parkman Fund be used only for the improvement and betterment of the Park System and not for salaries.

Referred to the Committee on Parkman Fund.

INCREASE IN PENSION FOR CERTAIN FORMER EMPLOYEES.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 820 of the Acts of 1950 entitled "An Act providing for an increase in

the annual amounts of certain pensions, retirement allowances, annuities and other benefits payable by the Commonwealth and its political subdivisions to certain former employees and persons claiming under them," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

HOSPITAL CHARGES TO BOSTON CITIZENS.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor instruct the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital to investigate the possibility of reducing the rate of hospital charge to citizens of Boston who receive medical treatment at said hospital.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INSTALLATION OF DRIVEWAY ON COLUMBUS PARK.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a driveway on Columbus Park, at Preble street, Ward 7, so that the Park Department trucks will not be required to use 100 yards of the sidewalk before entering the street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS ON MIDDLE STREET.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the gas lamps on Middle street, Ward 7, with modern electric arc lamps.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REVENUE.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the President of the Boston City Council be requested to appoint a special committee to be called the Committee on Revenue, to study ways and means of raising additional revenue other than taxes already in effect;

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ESTABLISHMENT OF PYSCHIATRIC OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital relative to the establishment of a psychiatric out-patient clinic and psychiatric department to care for the neurotic cases for which there is now very little facility.

Referred to Committee on Hospitals.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Yerxa the Council took a recess at 3.40 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman WENZLER at 5 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred February 12) for loan of $500,000 for civil defense activities—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Kinsella, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Wenzler, Yerxa—16.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

2. Report on petition of Eva Frazier (referred January 8) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John J. Frazier, late member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Eva Frazier, widow of John J. Frazier, a member of the Fire Department who died on November 23, 1950, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty, said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

3. Report on petition of Katherine F. Quinlan (referred April 10, 1950) for payment of annuity on account of death of her husband, Timothy J. Quinlan, member of Fire Department, who died on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of two thousand one hundred twenty-four dollars ($2,124) be allowed and paid to Katherine F. Quinlan, widow of Timothy J. Quinlan, a member of the Fire Department who died on October 18, 1949, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity being made up of allowances as follows:

For the widow, Katherine F. Quinlan, so long as she remains unmarried, $1,500 a year.

For each of the following-named children during such time as he or she is under the age of eighteen or over said age and physically or mentally incapacitated from earning, $312 per annum:

Timothy J. Quinlan, born June 4, 1933; Kevin M. Quinlan, born May 2, 1936;

provided, however, that if the widow remarries the annuity for said children shall be $520 during the remainder of the time aforesaid; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report of the committee was accepted.

On motion of Councilor Shanley the order was recommitted to the Executive Committee.

MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY announced that there would be a meeting of the Committee on Ordinances on Wednesday, February 21, at 11 A.M.

Adjourned at 5.05 P.M., on motion of Councilor Ansel, to meet on Monday, February 26, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, February 26, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Bryan, Lane, and P. A. Tracey.

The Reverend Samuel Tyler, Jr., of Trinity Church, Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. SAMUEL TYLER, JR.

Our Father, Who hast set a restlessness in our hearts which we can never fully fight, forbid us to be satisfied with what we make of life. Draw us from base content, and set our eyes on far-off lights. Keep us at tasks too hard for us that we may be driven to Thee for strength. Deliver us from powerfulness and self-pity. Make us sure of the goal we cannot see and of the hidden good in the world. Save us from ourselves. Show us a vision of the world made new through Thee.

May that spirit of peace and illumination so enlighten our minds that all life shall flow with new meaning and new purpose.

Let us never willingly bring harm to any man, and if, in the complexities of things, we cannot help that we do bring harm to anyone, keep us troubled and unsatisfied until we learn to make our minds and theirs agree.

When there seems to be no straight road forward and we are caught in compromise, teach us to turn where there is most of Thee and most promise of future good. Fire our minds with the vision of a more perfect society here on earth in which justice and peace and brotherhood shall reign according to Thy will.

And help us each one, O Lord, to do our part so that Thy will may be done on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

VETO OF ORDER RE INCREASED PENSION ALLOWANCES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 21, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith without my signature, and disapproved, the order for acceptance of chapter 820 of the Acts of 1950, providing for an increase in pension allowances.

Acceptance of this act at the present time would involve an expenditure of $366,000 annually. In view of the fact that pending before the Legislature are several bills which will affect the pensioned employees of the city, I believe that no action of an affirmative sort should be taken on chapter 820 of the Acts of 1950 until we know what the Legislature will do this year with regard to the pension bills now before it.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Placed on file.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS ON CARLISLE STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 26, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of February 12, 1951, requesting the replacement of the gas lamps with electric lights on Carlisle street in Ward 12.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
February 19, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works replace the gas lamps with electric lights on Carlisle street in Ward 12, and this will advise you that the Lighting Service of the Public Works Department will have a survey made of this area with a view to making the suggested replacement, if possible.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

"STOP BEFORE ENTERING" SIGN ON CENTRE STREET, WARD 16.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 26, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of January 29, 1951, requesting the erection of "Stop Before Entering" signs on Centre street at the junction of Centre street and Dorchester avenue in the Ward 16 section of Dorchester.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
February 20, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated January 29, 1951, Requesting the Installation of "Stop Before Entering" Signs on Centre Street at the Junction of Centre Street and Dorchester Avenue in Ward 16.
Dear Sir:

At a meeting of this Commission held on February 15, 1951, the above order was discussed, and it was voted to reject the request to erect "Stop" signs, as it was felt that such an installation is not warranted, particularly in view of the fact that there is an unobstructed view in either direction, plus the fact that it is doubtful whether the State Department of Public Works would approve this request.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 26, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the School Committee relative to your order of January 29, 1951, requesting the distribution of illustrated pamphlets to children attending the public schools warning them not to accept automobile rides, candy, gifts, etc., from strangers, or to have any conversation with them; also to take the registration number of the automobile of any person who offers them a ride and report same to the police.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

The School Committee of
the City of Boston,
February 20, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

At the conference of the School Committee held on February 15, 1951, the following order of the City Council was presented:

"Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to distribute illustrated pamphlets to children attending the public schools warning them not to accept automobile rides, candy, gifts, etc., from strangers, or to have any conversation with them; also to

take the registration number of the automobile of any person who offers them a ride and report same to the police."

This order of the City Council was referred to the Board of Superintendents for consideration and report.

Very truly yours,
AGNES E. REYNOLDS,
Assistant Secretary.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Giles J. Cooper, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in the Boston Public Library.

Richard F. Crowley, for compensation for damage to property at 2 Shrewsbury road, caused by break in water main.

George Gateam, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Milton G. Green, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Park Department.

George A. Hagerty, for compensation for damage to car by car of Police Department.

Gladys Howard, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 23 Bromley park.

Ida Kaplan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 76 Strathmore road.

Lawrence F. O'Connor, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Carl and Bernice Perkins, for compensation for injuries and damage to car caused by city truck.

Anne R. Reddam, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in North Harvard street.

Reid Brothers, Inc., for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Carroll B. Sleeper, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by patrol wagon.

Winifred Supple, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 74 Chestnut avenue, Jamaica Plain.

Anna Turner, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Wiget street.

Executive.

Petition of Josephine E. Brennan to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Robert F. Brennan, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Timothy O'Leary, correction officer, House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, for retirement as a veteran.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement:

Percy N. Castleman, Jordan Hall, March 4.
Aaron Richmond, Jordan Hall, March 14.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

LEASING OF DORCHESTER AVENUE SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the School Committee enclosing copy of preamble and order passed by School Committee on February 15, 1951, requesting the City Council to authorize School Committee to lease to John J. O'Connell Post No. 85, American Legion, the Dorchester Avenue School.

Placed on file.

BOND OF INDEMNITY.

A communication was received from the Metropolitan District Commission transmitting bond of indemnity of Merritt-Chapman and Scott Corporation for furnishing and laying water pipes in Boston and Cambridge.

The communication was placed on file, and the bond referred to was deposited with the City Auditor.

NOTICE FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of approval of petition of the Metropolitan Transit Authority for location of tracks from East Boston rapid transit extension to Washburn avenue.

Placed on file.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Coffey the Council voted at 2.13 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 2.30 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition of Katherine F. Quinlan (referred February 19) for payment of annuity on account of death of her husband, Timothy J. Quinlan, member of the Fire Department, who died on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of two thousand one hundred twenty-four dollars ($2,124) be allowed and paid to Katherine F. Quinlan, widow of Timothy J. Quinlan, a member of the Fire Department, who died on October 18, 1949, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity being made up of allowances as follows:

For the widow, Katherine F. Quinlan, so long as she remains unmarried, $1,500 a year.

For each of the following-named children during such time as he or she is under the age of eighteen or over said age and physically or mentally incapacitated from earning, $312 per annum:

Timothy J. Quinlan, born June 4, 1933; Kevin M. Quinlan, born May 2, 1936;

provided, however, that if the widow remarries the annuity for said children shall be $520 during the remainder of the time aforesaid; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on petition of Julia V. McCarthy (referred December 28, 1950) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Thomas J. McCarthy, late member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of $1,500 be allowed and paid to Julia V. McCarthy, widow of Thomas J. McCarthy, a member of the Fire Department, who died on December 25, 1948, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty, said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

3. Report on petition of Timothy O'Leary, correction officer, House of Correction, Institutions Department (referred February 26), for retirement as a veteran—recommending passage of following order:

Whereas, Timothy O'Leary, employed in the service of the County of Suffolk as correction officer in the House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, has made application to be retired under the provisions of section 57 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended; and

Whereas, The said Timothy O'Leary has submitted to the City Council satisfactory evidence that he is a veteran as defined in section 56 of chapter 32 of the General Laws; that he has been certified for retirement for disability by the duly authorized medical board; that he has been in the service of the county at least ten years; that he is incapacitated for active service; and that his total income from all sources, exclusive of his retirement allowance and of any sum received from the gov-

ernment of the United States as a pension for war service, does not exceed $1,000;

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 57, of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended, Timothy O'Leary, employed in the service of the County of Suffolk as correction officer in the House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, be, and hereby is, retired by the Mayor and City Council, acting as county commissioners, at an annual pension of $2,240, being 64 per cent of his highest regular rate of compensation.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHTING, WORCESTER SQUARE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately arrange for additional street lighting in Worcester square, Ward 8.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION RE VIVISECTION.

Coun. HURLEY and BRYAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, desire to register their vehement disapproval of House Bill 1101, now pending before the General Court of the Commonwealth.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

REPAIR SOUTH BOSTON STREETS FOR MARCH 17 PARADE.

Coun. WENZLER and McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have the streets in South Boston in proper condition for the March 17 parade and to be extremely careful to have the route smooth so that none of the marchers will be injured.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

BURIAL OF DAVID L. BEAULIEU IN MOUNT HOPE CEMETERY.

Coun. ANSEL and HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner and the Commissioner of Veterans' Services be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to permit the burial of David L. Beaulieu in Mount Hope Cemetery; the late David L. Beaulieu being a veteran of the Indian War who, at the age of ninety, met his death in our city.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Legislative Matters, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred February 5) to impose payroll tax on nonresidents employed in the city—that same ought not to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was rejected.

2. Report on order (referred February 19) concerning payroll withholding tax on nonresident employees—recommending passage of the following new draft:

Ordered, That the Legislative Committee recommends that his Honor the Mayor instruct the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston to immediately draw up legislation, to be introduced at this session of the Legislature, providing for a payroll tax to be applied to nonresidents of cities and towns where these nonresidents are employed, and that such legislation be drawn in such a manner that it will be only effective in cities and towns which accept this legislation.

The report was accepted, and the order in the new draft was passed.

LEASE OR SALE OF OLD FIREHOUSE ON NORTHAMPTON STREET.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor lease or sell to the Seabees Post, No. 7853, Veterans of Foreign Wars, the abandoned firehouse at 84 Northampton street, now under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Public Buildings.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

COVERING OF TRUCKS TRANSPORTING GARBAGE.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have all trucks carrying garbage in and out of the City of Boston so equipped that the bodies will be water tight and totally covered.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REMOVAL OF REFUSE FROM ALLEYS.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works and Health Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a concerted effort in having all garbage and refuse removed from behind all alleys in the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF ST. ANN STREET.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and extend St. Ann street to Bussey street, Ward 19.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

EVACUATION DAY CELEBRATION.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put all property under their jurisdiction, particularly Thomas Park and Dorchester Heights, in proper condition for the Evacuation Day celebration.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF INTERSECTION IN HONOR OF JAMES JOSEPH ABDOM.

Coun. COOK and HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the intersection at Rockland and Warren streets in Roxbury in honor of Marine Pfc. James Joseph Abdom of 17 Whiting street, Roxbury, who died in the service of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RELEASE OF WAR CRIMINALS IN GERMANY.

Coun. ANSEL called up under unfinished business No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Resolution opposing release of war criminals in Germany.

The resolution was adopted.

Adjourned at 2.55 P.M., on motion of Councilor Stanley, to meet on Monday, March 5, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, March 5, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber at 2 P.M., President HURLEY presiding, and all the members present.

The Reverend Dr. Frederick W. Meek, of the Old South Church, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. DR. FREDERICK W. MEEK.

Almighty God, Who hast set us down in the midst of this city of honored beginnings and great achievements, we ask Thy gracious favor upon it, for it is a place wherein, as we live our lives, we work out our destiny in time and eternity.

Bestir, O God, the consciences of our citizens that they may never be indifferent to the deeds of public office that concern the welfare of all the people. Lead them to be sharers of responsibility and not evaders of duty.

Give Thy divine guidance to those to whom our citizenry have entrusted the responsibility of office. Let them never escape from under the weight of the fact that they live and work under the judgment of Thy moral order, and that their accounting of stewardship is to Thee as well as to themselves.

We pray for our beloved America in a dangerous day. May no false pride, may no abdication of duty, may no narrowness of purpose lead us astray. Thou hast a part for us as a people to play in Thy divine purpose, and we would fulfill it at Thy behest so that the nations of the world may be blessed, and we pray that it may be a way through peace and not through human pain and destruction.

Give us all a vision of our city fair as she might be, a city of justice, a city of peace, a city of honor, and speed the day of the fulfillment of our hopes. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

Coun. SHANLEY in the chair.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Wenzler presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Forty-eight traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court; to appear April 2, 1951:

Albert Caldarelli, Ward 1; Alfred J. Russo, Ward 2; Arthur L. Powell, Ward 3; Charles A. Johnson, Ward 4; Frank W. Smith, Jr., Ward 4; Daniel P. Cavanagh, Ward 5; Thomas J. Maguire, Ward 5; Joseph E. T. Russo, Ward 5; Alfred J. Curran, Ward 7; Thomas V. Fowler, Ward 7; John B. O'Donnell, Ward 7; Ronald J. Boretti, Ward 8; James P. Harrison, Ward 8; John W. Roche, Ward 10; Irving Brown, Ward 11; Warren J. Sholes, Ward 11; Frank A. Koelsch, Ward 12; Joseph J. Lewis, Ward 12; John J. McCarthy, Ward 12; John H. Hout, Jr., Ward 13; Max Balkan, Ward 14; Benjamin Clayman, Ward 14; Bernard Kolman, Ward 14; Morris Lipman, Ward 14; Morris Libarsky, Ward 14.

Carl Aftosmes, Ward 15; Raymond V. Coppens, Ward 15; Raymond L. Thayer, Ward 15; Daniel H. Farren, Jr., Ward 16; John F. McCarthy, Ward 16; Kenneth W. Lavers, Ward 16; Carl E. Nissen, Ward 16; William E. Quilty, Ward 16; Charles S. Sim, Ward 16; Adolph Bauer, Ward 18; Henry A. Boone, Ward 18; Charles J. Dawson, Ward 18; Edwin J. Maguire, Ward 19; Thomas F. Cusack, Ward 20; Gerard L. McCarthy, Ward 20; William F. Peters, Ward 20; Chester H. Eastman, Ward 21; George W. Gendron, Ward 21; Axel H. Johnson, Ward 21; Saul Smokler, Ward 21; Abraham Goldstein, Ward 22; John J. McCarthy, Ward 22; Daniel J. Wilson, Ward 22.

One hundred fifty-six traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear April 2, 1951:

Frederick Cerulli, Ward 1; Nelson Holder, Ward 1; Theodore E. Maddalena, Ward 1; Americo Marino, Ward 1; John R. Mitchell, Ward 1; William T. O'Brien, Ward 1; John M. Boland, Ward 2; Timothy J. Conway, Ward 2; John B. Desmond, Ward 2; William F. Hitchcock, Ward 2; Frederick J. Maher, Ward 2; Joseph E. Morrissey, Ward 2; Joseph P. Scannell, Ward 2; Anthony Capobianco, Ward 3; Louis Goober, Ward 3; Daniel Sapochetti, Ward 3; Charles H. Alston, Ward 4; Richard E. Corcoran, Ward 4; George H. Turner, Ward 4; Dennis C. F. Wakelin, Ward 4; Arthur J. Watson, Ward 4; William W. Andrews, Ward 5; Donald C. Carter, Ward 5; Edward T. Cook, Ward 5; Gordon Crowell, Ward 5; John M. Dever, Ward 5; Francis M. Green, Ward 5; Edmund C. Lake, Ward 5; Walter M. McCue, Ward 5; Alfred J. Philip, Ward 5; David Ricknell, Ward 5; William E. Sutherland, Ward 5; Earle G. Weston, Ward 5.

George J. Arcand, Ward 6; Anthony J. Beaudry, Ward 6; Thomas J. Holmes, Ward 6; John J. Kennedy, Ward 6; James P. Lee, Ward 6; John F. McMullen, Ward 6; Laurence E. Mulkern, Ward 6; Walter M. Westhaven, Ward 6; Joseph R. Fallon, Ward 7; Frank E. Marshall, Ward 7; Joseph Mayer, Ward 7; Adam Smith, Ward 7; John J. MacNeil, Ward 8; John P. O'Sullivan, Ward 8; Alexander M. Scott, Ward 8; Joseph P. Sherlock, Ward 8; John Geba, Ward 9; Francis J. Anderson, Ward 10; Girard Jordan, Ward 10; Paul E. Malcolm, Ward 10; Francis W. O'Hara, Ward 10; John J. Reynolds, Ward 10; Peter Rogers, Ward 10; Martin J. Spry, Ward 10; Saul J. Kaufman, Ward 11; Theodore Levin, Ward 11; Charles F. Matthews, Ward 11; William Mayer, Ward 11; James V. Oliver, Ward 11; Joseph D. Reicher, Ward 11; Henry C. Rettman, Ward 11; Henry T. Schmitz, Ward 11.

Francis S. Curran, Ward 12; Louis Davis, Ward 12; Morton J. Fewell, Ward 12; James Grier, Ward 12; Everett L. Hackett, Ward 12; William Hull, Ward 12; John J. Leonard, Ward 12; Isadore Liberman, Ward 12; Maurice M. Saunders, Ward 12; Richard F. Sloane, Ward 12; William F. Brock, Ward 13; John J. Lucey, Ward 13; John J. Sullivan, Ward 13; Harry A. Weiner, Ward 13; Stephen J. Wencek, Ward 13; Samuel Boyar, Ward 14; Harold F. Hart, Ward 14; James Joseph Kelly, Ward 14; Michael J. Naughton, Ward 14; Joseph F. Scott, Ward 14; Hyman E. Shalit, Ward 14; Harry M. Waxman, Ward 14; Reuben I. Weiner, Ward 14; Joseph Weinfield, Ward 14; George F. Brown, Ward 15; Edward J. Durkin, Ward 15; Thomas F. Foley, Ward 15; James J. Nunan, Ward 15; Louis C. Powell, Ward 15; Rawson V. Bonnevie, Ward 16; Walter J. Langley, Ward 16; John F. Lynch, Ward 16; George F. McCarthy, Ward 16; John V. Nightingale, Ward 16; Harold J. Noonan, Ward 16; Paufilo F. Scipione, Ward 16; John J. Walsh, Ward 16.

William E. Briggs, Ward 17; Harold L. Carroll, Ward 17; Louis K. Dennis, Ward 17; Clemens J. Essman, Ward 17; Peter Feingold, Ward 17; William G. Fenton, Ward 17; Alfred Gabrunas, Ward 17; Samuel Goulston, Ward 17; Andrew R. Watkins, Ward 17; Burpee J. West, Jr., Ward 17; M. John Acone, Ward 18; George J. Callahan, Ward 18; Joseph H. Coutu, Ward 18; John J. Dempsey, Jr., Ward 18; Eric L. Erickson, Ward 18; George T. Hughes, Ward 18; Leonard Meehan, Ward 18; Arthur Messer, Ward 18; James S. Morse, Ward 18; Thomas E. Smith, Ward 18; Carroll B. Wingfield, Ward 18; John C. Bowman, Ward 19; Robert W. Callahan, Ward 19; Leo Cohen, Ward 19; Arthur P. Lennon, Ward 19; Walter B. Sammer, Ward 19; Henry L. Squillante, Ward 19.

Paul G. H. Bruechner, Ward 20; Harry Curry, Ward 20; Clynton A. Frohock, Ward 20; Leonard J. Gallagher, Ward 20; Edward L. Hoffman, Ward 20; Lester L. Lent, Ward 20; Basil E. MacKay, Ward 20; Merven B. MacKinnon, Ward 20; Thomas G. Maguire, Ward 20; Arthur W. Wagner, Ward 20; Richard J. Barry, Ward 21; Joseph T. Fitzgerald, Ward 21; Harry J. Flynn, Ward 21; William Gillis, Ward 21; William F. Maher, Ward 21; David Sanford, Ward 21; Samuel Weinstein, Ward 21; Clarence E. Wiggin, Ward 21; Laurence R. Winchester, Ward 21; Kenneth J. Cannon, Ward 22; Frank L. Hennessey, Ward 22; Peter Kearney, Ward 22; Hollis A. Macomber, Ward 22; William McCullough,

Ward 22; James F. McDermott, Ward 22; Joseph Roach, Ward 22; Victor Sookian, Ward 22.

LOAN FOR CIVIL DEFENSE ACTIVITIES.

On motion of Councilor Hurley the Council called up under assignment No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for loan of $500,000 for civil defense activities.

On February 19, 1951, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 16, nays 0.

On motion of Councilor Coffey the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the appointment of Melvin H. Ligums, 27 Abbot street, Ward 14, as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1951.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

DELAYING EVICTION OF TENANTS IN LOW-RENT PUBLIC HOUSING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Boston Housing Authority relative to your order of February 5, 1951, requesting that the members of the Boston Housing Authority appear before the Boston City Council at a special meeting of the Committee on Housing together with any records that relate to federal regulation in regard to income of tenants in so called low-rent public housing, and that no action be taken to remove tenants in low-rent income projects until such time as Congress takes action on H. R. 7661, now before the Committee on Banking and Currency.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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Boston Housing Authority,
February 26, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Subject: City Council Order of February 5, 1951, Concerning Removal of Excess Income Tenants in PHA-Aided Developments.

Dear Mayor Hynes:

The Honorable the City Council on February 5, 1951, requested through you that this Authority refrain from requesting excess income tenants to leave developments until a later date.

As you know, there are resident in developments some families who because of great increase in income must necessarily be requested to leave. There are others, however, where the excess income is not great and in these cases the Authority is proceeding slowly. It is acting on the basis that an upward revision in the income schedule in line with revised economic standards would make eligible some of the tenants who are now ineligible. The Authority has requested approval of such upward revision from the Public Housing Administration.

In addition, it should be borne in mind that two other factors are at work to prevent removal of families whose incomes have increased: one is that for the purposes of determining the eligibility of a family to remain the total income of working minors is exempted; and, secondly, there is a $100 exemption for all nonworking minors.

The Authority is cognizant of the objectives desired and is doing everything it possibly can to achieve them.

Very truly yours,
JAMES J. MAHAR, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ADJUSTMENT IN RENTALS OF FAMILIES OF SERVICEMEN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the chairman of the Boston Housing Authority relative to your order of February 5, 1951, requesting that an adjustment be made in the rentals of families of men who have been called into the service and who are living in public housing, so that their rental will not surpass what they would pay if they were in low-rent public housing; and that such rental shall continue until such time as the Boston Housing Authority can place such family in a low-income project.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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Boston Housing Authority,
February 26, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Subject: City Council Order Dated February 5, 1951, Concerning Adjusted Rentals for Tenants Called into Service.

Dear Mayor Hynes:

On February 5, 1951, the Honorable the City Council requested through you that the rentals of tenants who had been called for military service be adjusted and remain so while the tenant was in service.

I am pleased to be able to tell you that it is Authority policy that adjustment be made on all federally-aided and state-aided developments.

Under the Chapter 372 program, where there is no continuing annual subsidy and where rents are on a fixed space basis rather than on a rent to income ratio basis, adjustments cannot be made.

In such cases, however, the Authority will transfer these families into developments having adjusted rent schedules as rapidly as possible.

In this way the tenant serviceman will be able to receive equitable adjustments.

Very truly yours,
JAMES J. MAHAR, Chairman.

Placed on file.

COMPUTATION OF INCOME OF RESIDENTS OF PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the chairman of the Boston Housing Authority relative to your order of February 5, 1951, requesting the exemption in computing the income of residents in low-rent public housing of two thirds of all money earned by children in the family.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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Boston Housing Authority,
February 26, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Subject: City Council Order of February 5, 1951, Concerning Exemption of Part of Income of Minors in Computing Family Income.

Dear Mayor Hynes:

The Honorable the City Council on February 5, 1951, asked through you that this Authority exempt two thirds of the income of working minors in computing family income.

Presumably such procedure was requested so that the net effect would be that the tenants would be charged less rent. As desirable as this may be, there is no way that such a ruling could be made effective.

Both federal and state laws require that the income of all members of the family shall be included in computing the income for fixing rentals, and there is no way in which this may be changed except by legislation.

For the purposes of determining eligibility for continued occupancy of a family, local authorities

are allowed administrative discretion in exempting income of minors. In this case the Authority has established a policy of exempting the total income of minors for determining the eligibility of the family to remain in the development, but under the law must necessarily include the income in determining the rent.

Very truly yours,
JAMES J. MAHAR, Chairman.

Placed on file.

LEASE OR SALE OF OLD FIREHOUSE ON NORTHAMPTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Buildings relative to your order of February 26, 1951, requesting that the abandoned firehouse at 84 Northampton street be leased or sold to the Seabees Post No. 7853.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Buildings Department,
March 2, 1951.

Thomas J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

In reply to attached City Council order of February 26, 1951, requesting that the abandoned firehouse at 84 Northampton street be leased or sold to the Seabees Post No. 7853, I wish to state that the Overseers of Public Welfare still occupy this building. If, and when, the building should be turned over to this department, I will be only too glad to give this order every consideration.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE P. DONOVAN,
Superintendent of Public Buildings.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING OF SALCOMBE STREET AND WINDERMERE ROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting the resurfacing of Salcombe street and Windermere road in Ward 13.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
February 26, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface Salcombe street and Windermere road in Ward 13, and this will advise you that a survey of these streets will be made and they will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for construction during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

SIDEWALKS ON BROOKFORD AND FOLSOM STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of February 19, requesting the replacement of the existing brick sidewalks with granolithic sidewalks on Brookford street and Folsom street in Ward 13, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
February 26, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner replace the existing brick sidewalks with granolithic sidewalks on Brookford street and Folsom street in Ward 13, Dorchester, and this will advise you that a survey of this work will be made and same will be placed on the list of sidewalks to be given consideration for installation during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT ALBANY AND YEOMAN STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commission relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting to arrange for the installation of traffic signal lights at Yeoman and Albany streets, Ward 8.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
February 26, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order of February 19, requesting that arrangements be made for the installation of traffic signal lights at Albany and Yeoman streets in Ward 8, I wish to report that this matter has been given consideration as the result of a previous request from Councilor Hurley.

Over a year ago a list of lights to be installed as soon as possible was established, and an appropriation has been received for approximately forty installations. Approximately one half of the original list of lights is being held pending the receipt of an additional appropriation to pay the cost of these installations. On this list is included the intersection of Albany and Yeoman streets.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF VARIOUS STREETS, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting the acceptance, layout, and construction of Vincent road, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
February 28, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated February 19, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the

Mayor, to accept, layout, and construct Vincent road, Ward 20, as a public highway."

This street will be included in our current program for laying out and acceptance.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

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The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting the acceptance, layout, and construction of Jacqueline road, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
February 28, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated February 19, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, layout, and construct Jacqueline road, Ward 20, as a public highway."

This street will be included in our current program for laying out and acceptance.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

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The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting the acceptance, layout, and construction of Carlson Circle, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
February 28,1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated February 19, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, layout, and construct Carlson Circle, Ward 20, as a public highway."

This street will be included in our current program for laying out and acceptance.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

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The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting the acceptance, layout, and construction of the extension of St. Theresa avenue to Sparrow street, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
February 28, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated February 19, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, layout, and construct the extension of St. Theresa avenue to Sparrow street, Ward 20 as a public highway."

This street will be included in our current program for laying out and acceptance.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

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The following was reeeived:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting the acceptance, layout, and construction of Stearns road, Ward, 20, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
February 28, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated February 19, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, layout, and construct Stearns road, Ward 20, as a public highway."

This street will be included in our current program for laying out and acceptance.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

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The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the ehairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting the acceptance, layout, and construction of Johnson street, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
February 28, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated February 19, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, layout, and construct Johnson street, Ward 20, as a public highway."

This street will be included in our current program for laying out and acceptance.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

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The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communieation from the chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting the acceptance, layout, and construetion of a portion of 400 feet of Cottage avenue, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
February 28, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated February 19, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the

Mayor, to accept, layout, and construct a portion of 400 feet of Cottage avenue, Ward 20, as a public highway."

This street will be included in our current program for laying out and acceptance.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Severally placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF FOWLE AND HELENA STREETS, WARD 19.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting the acceptance, layout, and construction of Fowle street, Ward 19, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
February 28, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated February 19, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, layout, and construct Fowle street, Ward 19, as a public highway."

This street will be included in our current program for laying out and acceptance.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

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The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting the acceptance, layout, and construction of Helena street, Ward 19, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
February 28, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated February 19, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, layout, and construct Helena street, Ward 19, as a public highway."

This street will be included in our current program for laying out and acceptance.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Severally placed on file.

NAMING OF INTERSECTION IN HONOR OF JAMES J. ABDOM.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the secretary of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 26, 1951, requesting the naming of the intersection at Rockland and Warren streets in Roxbury in honor of Marine Pfc. James Joseph Abdom of 17 Whiting street, Roxbury, who died in the service of his country.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY,
Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
March 1, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Committee to Memorialize Veterans receipt of your communication of February 28, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilors Hurley and Cook requesting that the intersection of Rockland and Warren streets, Roxbury, be designated in honor of Pfc. James J. Abdom.

The next meeting of this committee is scheduled for some date in May, at which time this request will be given consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON EAST DEDHAM STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 26, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

By an order of your Honorable Body passed April 14, 1941, there was transferred from the Foreclosed Real Estate Division of the city to the Board of Park Commissioners vacant land at 73 East Dedham street, Boston Proper.

I have been advised by the Board of Park Commissioners that this land is no longer required for playground purposes and should be returned to the Board of Real Estate Commissioners.

I transmit herewith an order whereby the property at 73 East Dedham street may be transferred to the Board of Real Estate Commissioners.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Whereas, The City of Boston by a decree of the Land Court, Suffolk Registry District, dated October 5, 1936, foreclosed a right of redemption under a tax deed recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 5395, page 116, on about five thousand nine hundred sixty-two (5,962) square feet of land on the southwesterly side of and being numbered seventy-three (73) East Dedham street, Boston; and

Whereas, The said parcel of land was transferred from the care, custody, control, and management of the custodian, Foreclosed Real Estate Division of the City of Boston, to the care, custody, control, and management of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston for playground purposes, by an order of the City Council of the City of Boston dated April 14, 1941; and

Whereas, The said parcel of land is no longer needed for playground purposes; now, therefore it is hereby

Ordered, That the above-described parcel of land be, and the same hereby is, transferred from the care, custody, control, and management of the Board of Park Commissioners to the care, custody, control, and management of the chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON WALL STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 26, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith an order transferring approximately three thousand six hundred forty-nine (3,649) square feet of land at 28 Wall street, Boston Proper, from the care, custody, control, and management of the chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners, to the care, custody, control, and management of the Park Department for playground purposes.

At a meeting of the Committee on Foreclosed Real Estate of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners held February 6, 1951, the committee recommended that the request of the Park Department for the use of this land for playground purposes be granted, and I therefore recommend the adoption of the accompanying order.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

Whereas, The City of Boston by a decree of the Land Court, Suffolk Registry District, dated November 17, 1950, foreclosed a right of redemption under a tax deed recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 6053, page 505, on about 3,649 square feet of land on the northeasterly side of Wall street, numbered twenty-eight (28) in the numbering of said Wall street, between an estate now or formerly of Elack Smith (numbered 30), and an estate now or formerly of Canal Street Trust (numbered 24); and

Whereas, The said parcel of land hereinbefore described is in the care, custody, control, and management of the chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners; and

Whereas, It is desirable that the above-described premises be used for playground purposes; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the above-described parcel of land be, and the same hereby is, transferred from the care, custody, control, and management of the chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners, to the care, custody, control, and management of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston for playground purposes.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

American Textile Company of New Engand, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 24 Canal street, caused by break in water main.

Chester A. Anderson, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Francis M. Burke, for compensation for damage to property at 14 Furnival road, caused by defective sewerage system.

Theresa Caranjelo, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 59 Salem street.

Philomena Frontiero, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 67 Canal street.

General Exchange Insurance Corporation, for compensation for damage to property of Cyril P. Wright, caused by city truck.

Harry P. Gogos, for compensation for injuries and damage to property by snowplow.

Philip Goodman, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by city truck.

Annie E. McAvoy, for compensation for damage to property at 91 St. Rose street, Jamaica Plain, caused by water being shut off.

Mrs. Morris, doing business as Endicott Pharmacy, for compensation for damage to property caused by break in water line.

Ugo F. Pedranti, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Joshua Sarem, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1027 Washington street.

Young & Co., Inc., for compensation for damage to property in Faneuil Hall, caused by flooding of storehouse.

Executive.

Petition of Anna V. Shea, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, James F. Shea, late member of Fire Department.

TRANSIENT VENDOR'S LICENSE.

Notice was received of the issuance by the City Clerk of a transient vendor's license to Florence McCollum for sale of health foods, etc., at Huntington Chambers, 30 Huntington avenue.

Placed on file.

ABSENCE OF MAYOR FROM CITY.

Notice was received from the Mayor of his absence from the city from March 2 to March 16, inclusive.

Placed on file.

LEGISLATION RE BOSTON RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Coun. BRYAN and LANE offered the following:

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, desire to be recorded in favor of the passage of legislation to amend chapter 521 of the General Laws, Acts of 1922, concerning the Boston Retirement System.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

DEATH OF RAYMOND F. SHAW.

Coun. ANSEL and FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately conduct an investigation of the circumstances surrounding the death of Raymond F. Shaw on February 12, 1951, in the City Hospital, and in which negligence and abusive treatment is claimed by members of his family.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

COMMENDATION OF UNPAID RADIO OPERATORS.

Coun. FARIN, ANSEL, and WENZLER offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council go on record as commending the unpaid radio operators who so successfully proved to the residents of the City of Boston that they can keep our communications open in the event of a disaster by means of bombing; and be it further

Resolved, That City Councilor Walter D. Bryan be commended for alerting the City Council and for his active part in the excellent planning that made the test a success.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

SALARIES OF MEMBERS OF MEDICAL BOARD OF BOSTON RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Coun. HANNON submitted the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the members of the Medical Board of the Boston Retirement System be increased from $1,200 per year to $1,500 per year.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEGAL AID FOR CERTAIN TENANTS.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to assign one of his staff, or to make arrangements with a suitable attorneys' association to represent tenants in their opposition to or appeals from unjustified increases in rent sought by landlords.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

"STOP" SIGN ON DORCHESTER STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a "Stop" sign on Dorchester street, at East Broadway, before entering Perkins square, Ward 6, on the side nearest to Second street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ADDITION TO BOSTON SANATORIUM.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make immediate arrangements for the

construction of an addition to the Boston Sanatorium to take care of the overcrowded condition in the tubercular ward of the City Hospital and to effect a saving of $182,000 a year to the taxpayers of Boston which the city is forced to pay for the treatment of Boston residents in State tuberculosis hospitals.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

OPPOSITION TO SALES TAX.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby records itself as strongly opposed to the adoption of any sales tax either in the City of Boston or Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Referred to Committee on Legislative Matters.

BUILDING OF WHITE FUND SWIMMING POOL AND LOCKER BUILDING.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, respectfully urge Paul G. Carey, Regional Director of the National Production Authority, to lift the government restrictions on building materials so that work may be started at once on the $300,000 swimming pool and locker building, which project is to be paid for out of the income from the George Robert White Fund; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to Regional Director Carey.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

ABOLITION OF FRANKING PRIVILEGE OF MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, respectfully urge the President of the United States to devise ways and means of abolishing the franking privilege of members of Congress, which has been greatly abused by certain members of Congress in allowing the use of their franking privilege to one Isidore Lipschutz of the Communistic organization known as the Society for the Prevention of World War Three to send out 71,000 copies of "extension of remarks made by these certain members of Congress," in their franked envelopes; and be it further

Resolved, That no increase in the postage rates be granted or put into effect until such time as the franking privilege of members of Congress is abolished.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

PROHIBITION OF USE OF HALL BY HARRY BRIDGES.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Acting Mayor of the City of Boston be requested to take immediate steps which will forestall the plans of Harry Bridges of the Communist Party who will visit Boston and plans to speak at Butler Hall, 1095 Tremont street, Boston, on March 9, by prohibiting the use of the hall for this purpose.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

DRAFTING OF 18-YEAR-OLD YOUTHS.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, this date, go on record as opposed to legislation now pending before Congress for the drafting of 18-year-old youths, and that the Massachusetts delegation in Congress be advised of this action.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

RECONSTRUCTION OF SUNSET STREET.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to reconstruct Sunset street, from Hillside street to Parker Hill avenue, Roxbury, Ward 10.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ALLOTMENT TO RED CROSS FOR BLOOD PLASMA.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, would like to be advised as to the statement made by Congressman Scrivener of Kansas at a committee hearing in the House of Representatives, which was printed in the Boston *Herald* on December 15, 1950, disclosing that out of the civilian defense appropriation for the United States, seventeen million dollars was to be allotted the Red Cross organization for blood plasma now being shipped to Korea, notwithstanding the fact that the people of the United States give this blood plasma freely without cost to the Red Cross, which conducts one of the largest and most successful drives for funds annually throughout the country, the proceeds of which are, we believe, to be used for this purpose as well as for other emergencies.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

ACCEPTANCE OF SHERMAN AND HAWTHORNE STREETS.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, layout, and construct Sherman street, from Hawthorne to Poplar streets, Ward 19, as a public highway.

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Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, layout, and construct Hawthorne street, from Heathcote street to dead end, Ward 19, as a public highway.

Severally passed under suspension of the rules.

TENURE OF OFFICE OF CITY COUNCIL OFFICERS.

Coun. LANE offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby favors the enactment of House Bill 1735, entitled "An Act Providing for Unlimited Tenure of Office for Certain Employees of the City of Boston."

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

APPEARANCE OF BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY MEMBERS BEFORE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the members of the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Acting Mayor, to appear before the meeting of the Executive Committee on March 12, 1951, at three o'clock P.M., in the Executive Chambers, City Hall, Boston.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

ARC LIGHTS ON EAST FOURTH STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install arc lights on East Fourth street, from H to K street, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ARC LIGHTS ON BOWEN STREET.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install arc lights on Bowen street, from F to Dorchester street, Ward 7, particularly opposite the playground of the South Boston Boys' Club.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Coffey the Council voted to take a recess at 3.40 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman SULLIVAN at 5.11 P.M.

LEGISLATION RE SALARY OF GUARDS, DEER ISLAND.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby favors the enactment of Senate Bill 439, which provides that guards at Deer Island reach their maximum pay within three years, provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for loan of $500,000 for civil defense activities—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 20, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, Yerxa—20.

Nays—0.

2. Report on petition of Lillian M. Driscoll (referred December 28, 1950) to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, Daniel E. Driscoll, late member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Lillian M. Driscoll, widow of Daniel E. Driscoll, a member of the Fire Department, who died on October 19, 1950, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty, said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) transferring land at 28 Wall street from Real Estate Commission to care, custody, control and management of the Park Department for playground purposes—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

Report on ordinance (referred February 19) concerning title of officers connected with the City Council—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the ordinance was passed.

Adjourned at 5.16 P.M., on motion of Councilor Ansel, to meet on Monday, March 12, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, March 12, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., Coun. WENZLER, senior member, presiding. Absent, Councilors Hurley, Kinsella, and Lane.

The Reverend Daniel A. O'Leary, curate of the Gate of Heaven Catholic Church, South Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. DANIEL A. O'LEARY.

Let us pray. O God of wisdom and understanding, counsel in Whom all authority is vested and through Whom laws are enacted and judgments decreed, assist these men in this Council Chamber with Thy holy spirit of knowledge and fortitude so that their administration may be conducted in truth and justice, and be beneficial to the people over whom they preside by encouraging due respect for religion, virtue, and the law.

Let the light of Thy divine wisdom direct their deliberations and shine forth in all their decrees so that they may turn to the preservation of peace and justice, and grant that they may be able by Thy powerful assistance to discharge the duties of their high office and to perpetuate for us all the blessings Thou hast promised to those who do Thy holy will. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

MARCH 17TH PARADE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 12, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of February 26, 1951, requesting that the streets in South Boston be in proper condition for the March 17th parade, and to be extremely careful to have the route smooth so that none of the marchers will be injured.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY, Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 6, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of February 28:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have the streets in South Boston in proper condition for the March 17th parade, and to be extremely careful to have the route smooth so that none of the marchers will be injured.

We are pleased to comply with the provisions of the above-referenced order and assure you that, weather permitting, the streets in South Boston used for the March 17th parade will be in A-1 condition on that date.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

TRUCKS TRANSPORTING GARBAGE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 12, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of February 26, 1951, requesting to have all trucks carrying garbage in and out of the City of Boston so equipped that the bodies will be watertight and totally covered.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY, Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 2, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of order in Council, request of Councilor Farin, under date of February 26, 1951, as follows:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have all trucks carrying garbage in and out of the City of Boston so equipped that the bodies will be watertight and totally covered.

In this regard, I wish to state that all trucks transporting garbage, under the control of the City of Boston Public Works Department, are watertight and totally covered.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

EXTENSION OF CALL STREET AND ACCEPTANCE OF WOOLSEY SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 12, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting to extend Call street to Green street through Woolsey square, Ward 19, and to accept, lay out, and construct Woolsey square as a public highway.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY, Acting Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
February 28, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of February 21, 1951, enclosing an order from the City Council requesting the extension of Call street and the acceptance of Woolsey square, I have to report that the chief engineer of this department has informed me that Woolsey square is a private way owned by the Boston and Providence Railroad. If suitable arrangements can be made whereby the city can acquire title to this square, the department could then proceed to extend Call street over the square to Green street.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

NIGHT TAGGING OF AUTOMOBILES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 12, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order

of February 12, 1951, requesting the letting up on night tagging of cars, by looking into the feasibility of making three-lane streets with parking on one side, either the north or south side, which will not interfere with the flow of traffic or fire apparatus.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY, Acting Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
March 2, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order of February 12, 1951, requesting to let up on night tagging of cars, this matter was brought to the attention of the Traffic Commission at its meeting on March 1, 1951, and the request contained in the Council order was incorporated into considerations being given to the subject by your request on January 23, 1951.

We are at present awaiting a report from the Law Department to determine the extent to which we may go in this matter under the law.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

SPECIAL OFFICERS AT HOUSING PROJECTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 12, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Boston Housing Authority relative to your order of February 5, 1951, requesting that an appearance be made before the Boston City Council at a Special Committee meeting on Housing, together with any records that relate to the removal of special officers or men in related positions, requesting that the Boston Housing Authority take no action in dropping or transferring special officers and men in like positions until such time as the Federal Housing Authority reviews their decision, and that all employees so dropped or transferred be returned to their former status.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY, Acting Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,
February 26, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Subject: Special Officers, PHA-Aided and Owned Developments.

Dear Mayor Hynes:

On February 5, 1951, the Honorable the City Council requested through you that this Authority take no action in dropping special officers until such time as federal officials reviewed their decision in this matter.

Be assured that this Authority does not relish being required to cut back staff and has done everything possible to avoid it.

However, the Public Housing Administration has expressed this matter as their "continuing insistence that such persons (police officers) should be furnished by the city without expense to the developments."

This matter has been the subject of continuing disagreement with federal officials and the Authority has not been able to have this decision changed. Budgets currently being prepared call for the elimination of the special policemen, and only on that basis will they receive the approval of the Public Housing Administration.

Consequently, there is no alternative to abolishing these positions, regardless of the position of the Authority on this matter.

Very truly yours,
JAMES J. MAHAR, Chairman.

Placed on file.

BURIAL OF DAVID L. BEAULIEU.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 12, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Veterans' Services relative to your order of February 26, 1951, requesting to permit the burial of David L. Beaulieu in Mount Hope Cemetery; the late David L. Beaulieu being a veteran of the Indian War who, at the age of ninety, met his death in our city.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY, Acting Mayor.

City of Boston,
Department of Veterans' Services,
March 2, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Sir:

In accordance with the order in City Council on February 26, 1951, permission was granted for David L. Beaulieu to be buried in Mount Hope Cemetery on February 27, 1951.

Very truly yours,
FRANCIS X. COTTER, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF GARBAGE AND REFUSE FROM ALLEYS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 12, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Health Commissioner relative to your order of February 26, 1951, requesting that a concerted effort be made in having all garbage and refuse removed from behind all alleys in the city.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY, Acting Mayor.

City of Boston,
Health Department, March 6, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

We have your memorandum of February 28 transmitting to this department City Council order of February 26, 1951, requesting that a concerted effort be made in having all garbage and refuse removed from behind all alleys in the city.

At the end of the winter season each year, this department conducts a widely publicized "clean-up campaign" for the removal of all refuse from yards, alleys, and vacant lots.

Upon receipt of this City Council order, the inspectors of the Housing and Sanitation Division of this department have been instructed to make an immediate survey of their respective districts and to take every action necessary for the cleaning of yards, alleys, and vacant lands.

You may be assured that a concerted effort will be made by the Housing and Sanitation Division in having the winter's accumulation of refuse removed from all open areas throughout the city.

Respectfully,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D., M.P.H.,
Health Commissioner.

Placed on file.

DORCHESTER HEIGHTS AS NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 9, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I have been in communication with his Honor Mayor Hynes and Congressman John

W. McCormack, and in accordance with the request of the Mayor I am submitting herewith an order authorizing the City of Boston to enter into an agreement with the United States of America, Secretary of the Interior, placing the property of the Park Department of the City of Boston, known as Dorchester Heights and Memorial Tower, with the Federal Government as a national historic site.

This matter has been under consideration for several years and under authority of an Act of Congress approved August 21, 1935 (49 Stat. 666, 16 U.S.C., 1936, ed., page 462), the United States of America is authorized to preserve such historic places as national historic monuments. By execution of this cooperative agreement no title to the area is transferred to the United States Government and the agremeent itself is terminable upon a year's notice by either the City of Boston or the United States Government.

I recommend that your Honorable Body take immediate action on the order as it would be particularly appropriate if the agreement was consummated in time to have it effective for the celebration at the coming Evacuation Day exercises on March 17.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM F. HURLEY, Acting Mayor.

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This Agreement, made and entered into this .....day of....., 1951, by and between the United States of America, acting in this behalf by Oscar L. Chapman, Secretary of the Interior, and hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary," party of the first part, and the City of Boston of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, hereinafter referred to as the "City," party of the second part.

Witnesseth:

Whereas, The Advisory Board on National Parks, Historic Sites, Buildings, and Monuments has declared that Dorchester Heights (in the South Boston district of Boston, comprising approximately 236,354 square feet, and bounded southerly, westerly, and northerly by Thomas Park and easterly by land of Boston now occupied by the South Boston High School, as shown on Plate 16 of the atlas of South Boston, published by G. W. Bromley & Co., in the year 1910), fortified by General Washington during the night of March 4, 1776, and the Memorial Tower at Dorchester Heights, in South Boston, Mass., are of national historical significance as commemorative of the evacuation of Boston by the British troops under General Howe on March 17, 1776, the first great military success of the Americans in the War of the American Revolution; and

Whereas, It is the desire of the City to promote the designation of the said Dorchester Heights and Memorial Tower as a national historic site and to preserve and protect them in perpetuity, for the proper commemoration of the evacuation of Boston and for the inspiration and benefit of the people of the United States through the perpetuation of this country's military tradition; and

Whereas, It is the desire of the Secretary to cooperate with the City in preserving the integrity of the above-mentioned historic grounds and monument and to assist in furthering the Dorchester Heights interpretive program for the benefit and inspiration of the American people as part of their national inheritance in historic sites;

Now, Therefore, In consideraton of the foregoing, and pursuant to the authority contained in the Act of Congress approved August 21, 1935 (49 Stat. 666, 16 U.S.C., 1936 ed., page 462), entitled, "An Act to Provide for the Preservation of Historic American Sites, Buildings, Objects, and Antiquities of National Significance, and for Other Purposes," the said parties have covenanted and agreed, and by these presents do covenant and agree to and with each other and in consideration of the mutual promises herein expressed, as follows:

Article I. The City agrees, for itself, its successors and assigns:

(a) That the City will preserve Dorchester Heights and the Memorial Tower in perpetuity.

(b) That the City will not erect, or permit to be erected, any building or buildings on any portion of the grounds designated by the Secretary as part of the national historic site, without prior approval in writing by the Secretary.

(c) The City will advise with the National Park Service before permitting the erection or emplacement of any monument, marker, tablet, or other memorial in or upon the Memorial Tower or on any portion of the grounds designated by the Secretary as part of the national historic site.

(d) No alterations or repairs to the Memorial Tower shall be undertaken by the City until the plans therefor have been submitted to, and approved by, the Secretary.

(e) The City will advise with the National Park Service regarding any interpretive program that may be prepared relating to the Dorchester Heights area.

(f) The public shall be admitted to all parts of the Dorchester Heights area and Memorial Tower at all reasonable times so far as consistent with the preservation of the historical area and monument.

Article II. The Secretary agrees, on behalf of the United States of America:

(a) To designate the Dorchester Heights area as a national historic site.

(b) To provide and place a national historic site marker in further commemoration of the evacuation of Boston, as funds become available.

(c) To cooperate with the City in the preservation and use of the Dorchester Heights area as a national historic site, and to provide technical assistance in planning and executing measures for preservation, interpretation, and use, within the limits of available appropriations.

(d) In the discretion of the Secretary, to expend such funds as may be made available by appropriation or donation for the purpose of assisting the City in the appropriate development of the Dorchester Heights area as a national historic site.

Article III. It is further understood and agreed:

(a) That the Dorchester Heights area and Memorial Tower, subject to the covenants above set forth, shall remain the property of the City, to be used by it for public purposes.

(b) Wherever in this contract the Secretary is referred to, the term shall include his duly authorized representative.

(c) No member of, or delegate to, Congress, or Resident Commissioner, shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit that may arise therefrom, but this restriction shall not be construed to extend to this contract if made with a corporation or company for its general benefit.

(d) This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon the expiration of one year's notice in writing to the other.

In Witness Whereof, The said parties have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their seals (in quintuple) the day, month, and year aforesaid.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
by .....
Secretary of the Interior.

THE CITY OF BOSTON,
by .....
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Ordered, That his Honor Mayor John B. Hynes, in behalf of the City of Boston, be, and he hereby is, authorized to enter into an agreement with the United States of America, Secretary of the Interior, for the maintenance and preservation of the city property

known as Dorchester Heights and Memorial Tower, as a national historic site, in accordance with the terms of said agreement, a copy of which is hereto annexed.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Joseph Abboud, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Frank Basinow, for compensation for damage to property at 78 Lanark road, Brighton, caused by flooding of apartment.

Beauchaine's Express, Inc., for compensation for damage to trailer by snowfighter.

John F. Billotte, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Daniel J. Buckley, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by snowplow.

Roy E. Capelle, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by an alleged defect in Collecting Department.

M. Gertrude Chadwick, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Newbury and Dartmouth streets.

William C. Connolly, for compensation for damage to property at 14 Crockett avenue, Dorchester, caused by backing up of sewage.

Cutler Taxi Company, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Mary E. Donovan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Burbank street.

Ernest Doucette, for compensation for injuries caused by snowplow.

Roger J. Gettens, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

James E. Hagan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at School and Washington streets.

Margaret Ingalls, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 13 Porter street.

John J. Kelliher, Jr., to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Ernest Larrabee, for compensation for injuries caused by snowplow.

Bernard C. MacDonald, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Michael F. McGinley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Thomas P. Noone, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Henry F. O'Connell, Jr., for compensation for accident which occurred on Warren Avenue bridge.

Emma G. Pardo, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 137 Saratoga street.

Pilgrim Packing Company, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Timothy Queally, for compensation for damage to car by car of Fire Department.

Harold I. Roeder, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Benjamin J. Selig, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Bertha Smith, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 55 Mason street.

John W. VanDenberg, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Irving F. Wait, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Joseph A. Wilson, for compensation for damage to car by car of Police Department.

Executive.

Petition of Florence J. Sheehan to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Paul J. Sheehan, late member of Fire Department.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notices were received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearings to be held on the following petitions:

Hearing on March 20 at 10 A.M., on petition for approval of contract for sale of gas by Boston Consolidated Gas Company to the Arlington Gas Light Company.

Hearing on April 3 at 10 A.M., on investigation by the department on its own motion as to propriety of rates and charges stated in certain tariffs filed February 23, 1951, to become effective March 26, 1951, by Boston & Maine Transportation Company.

Severally placed on file.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Communications were received from the State Department of Public Works, transmitting copies of following orders:

Alteration of location of section of state highway previously laid out in City of Boston, and abandonment of certain land previously taken for state highway purposes by State Department of Public Works (Boston Central Artery).

Location for portion of Boston Central Artery beginning at northwesterly side of North street and extending thence southeasterly about 300 feet to northwesterly side of Fulton street, comprising the area between Cross street and John street.

Severally placed on file.

COMMUNICATION FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

A communication was received from the State Department of Public Utilities transmitting copy of order granting petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority to operate trackless trolleys over certain public ways in the City of Boston, West Roxbury district, and to erect, establish, and maintain the necessary poles, wires, conduits, appliances, and apparatus, etc.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

Coun. BEADES, for the Committee on Legislative Matters, reporting on bills pending before the Legislature affecting the City of Boston, presented written reports of such proposed legislation, requesting that they be distributed to all the members of the Council.

The report was accepted, and the City Messenger was instructed to deliver the copies of the report to all councilors.

ADDITIONAL COPIES OF ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL DEFENSE.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Printing be authorized and directed to print 1,000 additional copies of City Document No. 52 of the year 1950, entitled "Chapter 8 of the Ordinances of 1950, Establishing a Department of Civil Defense," the expense of same to be charged to the appropriation for City Documents.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ADDITIONAL LIGHTING ON MT. PLEASANT TERRACE.

Coun. WENZLER, for Councilor Hurley, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange for additional street lighting on Mt. Pleasant terrace, Ward 8.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECOVERY OF CERTAIN LOST ANIMALS.

Coun. WENZLER, for Councilor Hurley, offered the following:

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, desire to endorse Senate Bill 268, "An Act to Provide Means for the Recovery of Certain Stolen, Lost, or Strayed Animals."

Referred to the Executive Committee.

NAMING OF INTERSECTION IN HONOR OF JAMES JOSEPH ABDOM.

Coun. COOK and HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the intersection of Whiting and Warren streets in Roxbury in honor of Marine Pfc. James Joseph Abdom of 17 Whiting street, Roxbury, who died in the service of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS ON EAST FIFTH STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install arc lights on East Fifth street, between I and L streets, Ward 6, to replace the present gas lamps, as a means of protecting pedestrians who must travel back and forth through the dark areas of this section.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPLACING GAS LAMPS ON WEST THIRD STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install arc lights on West Third street, from D street to Dorchester avenue, Ward 6, to replace the present gas lamps, as a means of protecting pedestrians who must travel back and forth through the dark areas of this section.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SOCIAL WORKERS, PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY, for Councilor Kinsella, submitted the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Overseers of Public Welfare for the purpose of instructing social welfare visitors that they are henceforth to disregard all anonymous communications of any type that reflect upon the morals or the integrity of recipients of public welfare.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SALE OF CONCENTRATED MILK.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Health Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to bar the sale of all so-called concentrated milk in the City of Boston until such time as legislation is passed relative to the inspection and quality thereof, in order that the consumer may be protected.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred March 5) of Melvin H. Ligums as Constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1951—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Lanigan and Shanley, whole number of ballots, 17, yeas 15, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

ROPING OFF STREETS, MARCH 17.

Coun. McCOLGAN and WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be, and he hereby is, directed to rope off the streets along the route of the Evacuation Day-Saint Patrick's Day parade in South Boston on March 17, 1951, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Ropes, Flags, and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

APPROPRIATION FOR AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Director of Civil Defense be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to set aside $50,000 of defense appropriations and earmark it for the Amateur Radio Communications Division of Civil Defense.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SURETY ON CONTRACTORS' BONDS.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to draft legislation, if necessary, whereby a contractor bidding on a contract will have an opportunity to get more surety on his bond in the event that he has failed to present sufficient coverage for that particular contract.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

ACCEPTANCE OF BADGER ROAD, WARD 18.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Badger road, Ward 18, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF SHAW STREET, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Shaw street, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPLACING OF PORTABLE ELECTION BOOTHS IN WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Election Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the portable election booths in Precincts 8, 10, 20, 21, and 22, in Ward 20, as they are unsightly, have no water or toilet facilities for election workers, and are poorly lighted and heated; and be it further

Ordered, That these portable wooden election booths be replaced by voting precincts in near by public buildings, equipped with voting machines.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SALE OF POCKET EDITIONS OF CERTAIN BOOKS AND MAGAZINES.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Board of Censors to bar the sale of so-called pocket editions of books and magazines which contain indecent and vulgar language and which are easily obtainable by young children at stores and newsstands in the City of Boston.

The question came on suspension of the rules and passage of the order. The Chair declared that the rules were suspended, and the order was passed.

Councilor Cook doubted the foregoing vote and moved that the question be divided and a vote be first taken on suspension of the rules. The Chair called for a rising vote on suspension of the rules and an insufficient number of members rising (15 members being required), the rules were not suspended.

Councilor Ramsey doubted the foregoing vote. The Chair called for a rising vote on suspension of the rules, and less than 15 members rising, the rules were not suspended.

Councilor Coffey moved reconsideration of the foregoing vote. The motion was carried.

The question then came on suspension of the rules, and on a rising vote, the required number (15 members) voted to suspend the rules.

The question then came on passage of the order, and the order was passed.

REPAIRING OF WASHINGTON STREET.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair Washington street, from Egleston square to Forest Hills; and be it further

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair their track area on Washington street, from Egleston square to Forest Hills, in accordance with the terms of their contract with the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

BENEFITS TO WIDOWS OF WORLD WAR II VETERANS.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, unanimously go on record as in favor of legislation now pending before Congress, relative to granting the same benefits to widows of veterans of World War II who die from a nonservice connected disability. Widows of veterans of World War I who died of a nonservice connected disability receive $42 a month, and $8 a month for each child; and be it further

Resolved, That the Massachusetts delegation in Congress be advised of this action.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION RE PAY RATE OF BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, go on record as in favor of proposed legislation now pending before the State Legislature, relative to granting members of the Boston Police Department the same pay rate as the members of the Police Department of the Metropolitan District Commission.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

USE OF PAPER BALLOTS IN MUNICIPAL PRIMARIES.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Board of Election Commissioners to immediately study the advisability of using paper ballots in the primaries to be held in connection with the next municipal election.

The order was rejected.

CONVENIENCE STATIONS IN RESTAURANTS AND DEPARTMENT STORES.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Licensing Board be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to check all restaurants not operating under the ruling that such establishments should have places of public convenience for the patrons, and also to recommend to the Boston Retail Trade Board to arrange for convenience stations to be put in the larger department stores in the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REVISION OF CHARGES FOR LODGING-HOUSE PERMITS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Licensing Board be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to consult with the City Planning Board to set up a zoning plan relative to the lodginghouses in the City of Boston, as to the revising of the charges for a lodginghouse annual permit.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ROPING OFF STREETS FOR B.A.A. MARATHON RACE.

Coun. YERXA, HURLEY, and LANE offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be, and he hereby is, directed to rope off the streets along the route of the annual B.A.A. Marathon race to be conducted on Thursday, April

19, 1951, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Ropes, Flags and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Yerxa the Council voted at 3.47 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman WENZLER at 5.08 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) authorizing Mayor to enter into agreement with United States of America, Secretary of the Interior, for the maintenance and preservation of the city property known as Dorchester Heights and Memorial Tower as a national historic site—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the question came on suspension of the rules and the passage of the order. The rules were suspended, and the order was passed, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, Yerxa—15.

Nays—0.

2. Report on order (referred today) that the Health Commissioner bar sale of concentrated milk until legislation is passed relative to inspection and quality thereof—recommending passage of order in following new draft:

Ordered, That the Health Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the advisability of legislation setting up proper sanitary standards for the protection of public health, in regard to the purchase and sale of evaporated or concentrated milk if not sterilized and hermetically sealed in a can.

The report was accepted, and the order in the new draft was passed.

3. Report on order (referred March 5) that the Hospital Trustees be requested to conduct investigation of circumstances surrounding death of Raymond F. Shaw on February 12, 1951—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

SIDEWALKS ON SANGER STREET.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Sanger street, Ward 7.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SIDEWALKS ON WINFIELD STREET.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Winfield street, Ward 7.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 5.13 P.M., on motion of Councilor Yerxa, to meet on Monday, March 19, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, March 19, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair, and all the members present.

The Reverend Ferdinand V. Miszkin of St. Monica's Catholic Church, South Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. FERDINAND V. MISZKIN.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. O God, Omnipotent Judge of all nations, guide, we beseech Thee, the deliberations and actions of the Boston City Council, and inspire them with Thy grace that they may act for the common good of the community. Amen.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constables, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1951:

Corless J. Hawes, 33 Compton street, Boston; James F. Martin, 120 Corey road, Brighton; John Francis Lally, 97 Waldeck street, Ward 17.

Weighers of Goods for term ending April 30, 1951:

Capt. Laurence A. Rogers, 1 Dow street, Somerville; Joseph P. McCarron, 8 Brastow avenue, Somerville; George Bullard, 78 Regent street, Boston; Albert E. Beaton, 121 Walter street, Roslindale; William F. O'Brien, 20 Avon street, Saugus; Michael J. Houlihan, 381 Harvard street, Cambridge.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

CONDITIONS IN ACCIDENT WARD OF CITY HOSPITAL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 19, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Superintendent of the Boston City Hospital, relative to your order of February 12, 1951, requesting that an immediate investigation be made of the conditions in the Accident Ward in the Boston City Hospital, with a view to expediting services on the floor of the Accident Ward, and that an investigation be made with a view to rectifying the loss of valuables to patients who are admitted on the Accident Floor.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston City Hospital,
March 20, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

In reply to your communication of February 15, enclosing City Council order of February 12, regarding conditions on the Accident Ward of the Boston City Hospital, I would submit the following:

We do not feel that there are any measurable delays in transporting patients to the wards from the Admitting Department. To be sure, because of the nature of the work, it occasionally happens that, when an emergency arrives, a patient who is in less need of medical assistance is delayed while all energies are used in caring for the sickest patient.

In regard to valuables, our procedure is as follows:

1. Patients brought to the hospital D.O.A. (dead on arrival) are not undressed, and no attempt is made to find identification. After the patient is pronounced dead and is seen by the priest, the body is taken to the morgue by the same officers who brought it to the Admitting Floor.

2. If a D.O.A. is brought by the Fire Department, taxi, or private car, the body is brought to the morgue through the tunnel by two medical workers, and is always accompanied by the person responsible for the patient's effects. On these occasions an attendant in the morgue takes charge of all valuables and these are signed for by the hospital medical worker, the morgue attendant, and the person who has accompanied the body to the morgue.

All persons coming in who are unconscious are undressed and all valuables checked and listed by two graduate nurses or, in the event of male patients, a graduate nurse and a medical aide. This record is a permanent record of the hospital.

In all unusual circumstances, i.e., large sums of money, or claims of patients as to loss of pocketbook or valuables, the Admitting Executive is notified, and he talks with the patient and signs his name to the property slip, stating that these articles are not with the patient on entrance to the hospital.

When a patient is unable to sign his own valuable record, two nurses are required to check and sign and also state the reason the patient is not capable of signing.

In view of the fact that in 1950 we cared for 102,421 patients and, to my knowledge, there were less than six complaints of loss of valuables, we do not feel it is humanly possible to improve the present system.

Very truly yours,
JAMES W. MANARY, M.D.,
Superintendent.

Placed on file.

REPAVING OF PORTION OF WASHINGTON STREET, WARD 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 19, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting the repaving of Washington street, from Codman square to River street, Ward 17, and studying the feasibility of straightening out the portion of Washington street at the William Gary Walsh Park by removing the curbstone and taking up a bit of the park.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 8, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner repave Washington street, from Codman square to River street, Ward 17, and study the feasibility of straightening out the portion of Washington street at the William Gary Walsh Park by removing the curbstone and taking up a bit of the park.

This section of Washington street has been inspected by the Highway Section of the Bridge and Highway Division, and it is found that same is in good condition and requires no attention at this time.

We are, however, in favor of widening the present roadway in front of the Y.M.C.A. building built on the William Gary Walsh Playground. This is a matter of widening and making a taking, which comes within the jurisdiction of the Board of Street Commissioners, and we are notifying them of this Council order and recommending that the widening be made to facilitate the movement of traffic.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RECONSTRUCTION OF SUNSET STREET, WARD 10.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 19, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of March 5, 1951, requesting the reconstructing of Sunset street, from Hillside street to Parker Hill avenue, Roxbury, Ward 10.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 9, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner reconstruct Sunset street, from Hillside street to Parker Hill avenue, Roxbury, Ward 10, and this will advise you that this street will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF ST. ANN STREET, WARD 19.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 19, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of February 26, 1951, requesting to accept, lay out, and extend St. Ann street, Ward 19.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
March 12, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated February 26, 1951.

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and extend St. Ann street to Bussey street, Ward 19."

Preliminary surveys and cost estimates are now being made for said extension of St. Ann street. If it is found that the cost of construction will not be excessive, it is our intention to proceed with the acceptance and laying out as requested.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

DRIVEWAY ON COLUMBUS PARK AT PREBLE STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 19, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting the installation of a driveway on Columbus Park at Preble street, Ward 7, so that the Park Department trucks will not be required to use 100 yards of the sidewalk before entering the street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, March 15, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting the installation of a driveway on Columbus Park at Preble street, so that the Park Department trucks will not be required to use the sidewalk.

This is to advise you that in our schedule of construction work to be done in the Park Department this year, this particular work was listed, and sometime during the early spring we will construct the walk as suggested by Councilor McColgan.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

BURIAL LOT FOR VETERANS OF KOREAN ACTION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 19, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Park Commissioners, in which he requests that your Honorable Body take action on the proposal to provide a suitable lot in Mount Hope Cemetery for veterans of the Korean expedition.

This request is similar to ones made in 1920 and 1942 for veterans of World Wars I and II.

I respectfully request passage of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, February 28, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

At a meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners held at the Park Department office

today, February 28, 1951, consideration was given by the Board to the matter of allowing Boston veterans killed in the Korean action the same burial privileges in the Mount Hope Cemetery lot reserved for veterans as are now granted to veterans of the Spanish-American War and World Wars I and II.

It is the opinion of the Board that the original order passed by the City Council on May 10, 1920, authorizing the Board of Cemetery Trustees, which in this instance is the Board of Park Commissioners, to set aside a suitable lot in the Mount Hope Cemetery for burial of veterans of World War I, which order was subsequently amended by the City Council on November 9, 1942, and approved by the Mayor to allow the same burial privilege for veterans of World War II, should now be further amended so as to provide for those residents of Boston killed in the Korean action, whose families request it, the same burial privilege now granted to other veterans.

Accordingly, if your Honor approves, it is requested that you prepare an order to be introduced in to the City Council which will provide burial privileges in the veterans lot in Mount Hope Cemetery for Boston servicemen killed in the Korean action.

Respectfully yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

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Ordered, That the original order passed by the City Council on May 10, 1920, and amended on June 3, 1940, and November 9, 1942, authorizing the Board of Cemetery Trustees to set aside a suitable lot, now known as World War Veterans Lot, in Mount Hope Cemetery be herewith further amended, to include the burial of residents of Boston who are veterans of the Korean expedition and their dependents in the same order of priority and under the same provisions as specified for veterans of World Wars I and II.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

INCREASE OF ANNUITIES FOR CERTAIN WIDOWS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 19, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws now provides an annuity of $1,500 for the widows of policemen and firemen who were killed, or died from injuries received, in the performance of duty, and benefits about 170 widows. There still remain fifteen such widows who, under the wording of the section, are limited to lesser annuities by amounts ranging from $100 to $300.

Chapter 147 of the Acts of 1951 makes it possible to increase the annuities of these fifteen widows to $1,500, and for that purpose I recommend the passage of the accompanying order.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Ordered, That under the authority of chapter 147 of the Acts of 1951, it be, and hereby is, determined that, effective April 1, 1951, the annuities which are less than $1,500, heretofore paid by the City of Boston under section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended, to the widows of policemen and firemen heretofore determined to have been killed or to have died from injuries received or hazards undergone in the performance of duty, shall be increased to $1,500.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Edward Ambrogne, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Edward Ambrogne, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

R. L. Burbank, for compensation for damage to car caused by police car.

Helen C. Guba, for son, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at George H. Conley School.

Joseph Hohn, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty.

Constance Mosca, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 10 Milton street, East Boston.

Maurice Resnick, for compensation for damage to property at 38A Browning avenue, during repair of sidewalk.

Royal Register Company, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, for compensation for damage to car of Sanders Markowsky by fire truck.

Thomas J. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to property at 41 Washington street, Hyde Park, during sidewalk construction.

Carl Weiner, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at Seaver street and Columbia road.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Boston American League Baseball Company for license for Sunday sports at Fenway Park from March 15, 1951 to March 15, 1952.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Melvin H. Ligums, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved by the Council.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on April 2 at 10 A.M. on department's motion as to propriety of rates and charges of Boston & Maine Transportation Company as filed February 23.

Placed on file.

MEETING OF OLD SOUTH ASSOCIATION IN BOSTON.

Notice was received of a meeting at the Boston Athenaeum on March 21 at 2.30 P.M. of the Board of Managers of the Old South Association in Boston.

Placed on file.

CONDUCT AND MAINTENANCE OF OPEN-AIR PARKING SPACES.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to prepare promptly for consideration of the City Council an ordinance which shall require for the conducting and maintaining of any open-air parking space in the city a license subject to such rules and regulations as shall more adequately consider the convenience, safety, and rights of the public, and shall be less a fire hazard than present rules and regulations permit; and be it further

Ordered, That such form of ordinance, and the rules and regulations to be promulgated thereunder, shall

1. Forbid the parking of more than six motor vehicles in any 1,000-square-feet area.
2. Forbid the parking of more than twelve motor vehicles in any 3,000-square-feet area.
3. Forbid the parking of more than eighteen motor vehicles in any 5,000-square-feet area.
4. Require the clear designation of lanes of ingress and egress for all cars parked in licensed open-air parking space areas.
5. Require that lanes of ingress and egress shall be kept free and clear at all times, so that any motor vehicle parked or stored on any open-air space area may be readily moved, in case of fire or other emergency, without the necessity of moving other motor vehicles.
6. Require the filing of plot plans with all applications for open-air parking licenses, to include the following information:
   a. Location, street, and number.
   b. Dimensions of lot boundaries.
   c. Gross area.
   d. A clearly defined division of the area into blocks representing the proposed positions of parked motor vehicles, when the area is fully utilized.
   e. Clear location of unblocked lanes of ingress and egress between parking spaces on such lot and the public way.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor F. P. Tracey the Council voted at 2,15 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President HURLEY at 4.32 P.M.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. McCOLGAN, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Michael J. O'Donnell (referred January 8) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Fire Department—rceommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two hundred dollars ($200) be allowed and paid to Michael J. O'Donnell in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

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Report on petition of Francis J. McLaughlin (referred December 28, 1950) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of thirty dollars ($30) be allowed and paid to Francis J. McLaughlin in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

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Report on petition of James W. Finnell (referred January 15) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of four hundred ($400) be allowed and paid to James W. Finnell in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of Joseph DeMattia (referred January 22) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred twenty-five dollars ($125) be allowed and paid to Joseph DeMattia in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

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Report on petition of Charles McCarthy (referred December 18, 1950) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Park Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of three hundred dollars ($300) be allowed and paid to Charles McCarthy in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Park Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) setting aside lot in Mount Hope Cemetery for veterans killed in Korean action—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) increasing annuities of certain widows of policemen and firemen to $1,500—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Coun. SHANLEY announced that there would be a meeting of the Committee on Appropriations on Wednesday, March 21, at 11 A.M., for further consideration of the budget as submitted by the Mayor, and extended an invitation to all members of the Council who may care to attend.

ROPING OFF STREETS FOR CATHEDRAL CLUB ROAD RACE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be, and he hereby is, authorized to rope off the section of Union Park street, between Washington street and Harrison avenue, between the hours of 2 and 4 P.M. on Saturday, April 14, 1951, in connection with the Forty-First Annual Ten-Mile Road Race of the Cathedral Club, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Ropes, Flags and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING OF RICHMOND STREET, DORCHESTER.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to fully resurface Richmond street in Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INCINERATOR IN BRIGHTON.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to give a report relative to what has happened to the proposed appropriation for an incinerator in the Brighton district and what has happened to the funds that were submitted to the Council in 1950.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

HEARING ON CITY OF BOSTON VS. RISS TRANSPORTATION COMPANY CASE.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to petition the Superior Court for a speedy hearing on the matter of the City of Boston vs. the Riss Transportation Company et al., at 260 Western avenue to 10 Spurr street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ASSIGNMENT OF NUMBERS TO CANDIDATES ON ELECTION BALLOT.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Board of Election Commissioners to assign numbers on the forthcoming ballot in the fall election to the various candidates so that each candidate will have a number beside his name signifying his position on the ballot.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PAYMENT OF CERTAIN COMPENSATION TO RITA SULLIVAN.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation authorizing the City of Boston to pay certain compensation to Rita Sullivan, a former employee of the Boston Sanatorium who is now permanently disabled by reason of sickness contracted by her in the performance of her work at said sanatorium; provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

LAND FOR STATE MEDICAL AND DENTAL SCHOOLS.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to draft legislation which will permit the City of Boston to transfer to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts sufficient land in Franklin Park, in the vicinity of the proposed site for the new state hospital for chronic diseases; said land to be used for the purpose of erecting a medical and dental school as proposed in the Governor's inaugural address.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

BANNING OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN PLAYSTEAD AREA, FRANKLIN PARK.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to take immediate steps to prohibit the use of the roads in the Playstead area of Franklin Park by all types of commercial and pleasure motor vehicles.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

STREET LIGHTS ON PERKINS STREET, WARD 10.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to erect street lights on the portion of Perkins street, Ward 10, that runs alongside Perkins Manor.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the gas lamps on West Seventh street, from F street to Dorchester avenue, Ward 6, with modern electric lights.

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the gas lamps on West Fifth street, between I and L streets, Ward 6, with arc lights because of the dangerous condition and hazard to pedestrians, especially at night.

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the gas lamps on West Third street, from D street to Dorchester avenue, Ward 6, with modern electric lights.

Severally passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan the Council voted at 5.12 P.M. to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members were reassembled and were called to order by Chairman WENZLER at 6.43 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and resolution (referred February 5) increasing statutory limitation on appropriations authorized to be made by the School Committee by $1,000,000, establishing sum of $22,200,000 as appropriation limitation—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

Adjourned at 6.45 P.M., on motion of Councilor Kinsella, to meet on Monday, March 26, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, March 26, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Beades, P. A. Tracy, and Yerxa.

The Reverend Frederick J. Minigan, of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Roxbury, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. FREDERICK J. MINIGAN.

In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Amen. Almighty God, as this Council reconvenes on Easter Monday, we humbly beg that special blessings of the remembrance of the resurrection of Christ and the spirit of the Easter season will permeate every thought and deliberation of the members of the Body. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council the Mayor submitted the appointment of James J. Durkan, 20 Harvard avenue, Brookline, as Weigher of Goods for term ending April 30, 1951.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

"STOP" SIGN ON DORCHESTER STREET, AT EAST BROADWAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 26, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of March 5, 1951, requesting the installation a "Stop" sign on Dorchester street, at East Broadway, before entering Perkins square, Ward 6, on the side nearest to Second street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, March 20, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order dated March 5, 1951, requesting the installation of of a "Stop" sign on Dorchester street at East Broadway, before entering Perkins square, I wish to report that at a meeting of the Traffic Commission on March 15, consideration was given to this proposal.

Our engineers report that southwestbound traffic approaching Perkins square has a full view of the intersection and drivers can see any traffic approaching from East Broadway.

In view of this fact it is the opinion of our commission that a "Stop" sign is not warrented at this intersection.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

SIDEWALKS ON SANGER STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 26, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of March 12, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Sanger street, Ward 7.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 19, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Sanger street, Ward 7, and this will advise you that this street will be placed on the list for consideration of the installation of artificial stone sidewalks during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

SIDEWALKS ON WINFIELD STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 26, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of March 12, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Winfield street, Ward 7.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 19, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Winfield street, Ward 7, and this will advise you that this street will be placed on the list to be given consideration for the installation of artificial stone sidewalks during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Carl H. Anderson, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sewer Division.

Gladys H. Blaser, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

John F. Clune, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Hyman Cohen, for compensation for injuries and damage to property by city truck.

Louis DeMarco, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

Joseph A. DiAngelis, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 19 Sheafe street, Boston, caused by water being shut off.

Maurice Gordon, for compensation for damage to property at 98 Lanark road and 132

Sutherland road, Brighton, caused by backing up of sewage.

Employers' Fire Insurance Company of Boston, for compensation for damage to car of Rexford Corporation, a/o Margaret Fox, caused by fire truck.

Ethel Hogan, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Herbert R. Koslow, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Water Department.

Eugene T. McSweeney, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Charlestown Bridge.

Mrs. Leslie P. Moran, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 146 Tremont street.

John P. O'Malley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company, for compensation for damage to car of S. Victor Foppiano, by city motor vehicle.

John A. Sloane, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 188 Washington street.

Dolores Thomas, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Cabot street, Roxbury.

Executive.

Petition of Sarah J. Nicholson to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, William F. Nicholson, late member of the Fire Department.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of the National League Baseball Club of Boston, Inc., for license for Sunday sports on Braves Field, for period ending April 1, 1952.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for permits for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Daniel D. Tierney, Jordan Hall, March 30.

Daniel D. Tierney, Jordan Hall, April 6.

The Skating Club of Boston, Boston Garden, April 5, 6, 7, and 8.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

PERMITS FOR MINORS.

Petitions for minors' licenses were received from seven newsboys and one bootblack.

Licenses granted under usual conditions.

RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF LOCATION LINE, RUTHERFORD AVENUE.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Works of re-establishment of location line on Rutherford avenue, Charlestown.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF PHILIP J. CAMERLENGO.

Notice was received from the Mayor of appointment of Philip J. Camerlengo, 113 Eutaw street, East Boston, to be an Assessor of the City of Boston, for term ending March 31, 1955, vice Daniel M. Driscoll.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred March 19) of Corless J. Hawkes, John Francis Lally, and James F. Martin as Constables with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1951—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred March 19) of Capt. Laurence A. Rogers, Joseph P. McCarron, George Bullard, Albert E. Beaton, William F. O'Brien, and Michael J. Houlihan as Weighers of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1951—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Coffey and Shanley. Whole number of ballots 14, yeas 14, and the appointments were confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Coun. SHANLEY, for the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and appropriations and tax orders for 1951 (referred February 5)—recommending passage of the appropriations and tax orders for 1951 as submitted by the Mayor, with the exception of the following reductions in said appropriations, as recommended by the Committee:

AUDITING DEPARTMENT.

120	Overtime	$2,000
270	Repairs and Servicing of Equipment	4,600
360	Office Supplies and Materials	8,000

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

300	Contractual Services	25,000
340	Supplies and Materials	7,000
390	Supplies and Materials	20,000
500	Equipment	25,000
560	Equipment	6,500

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Paving.

380	Supplies and Materials	10,000
260	Repairs and Maintenance of Buildings	20,000
390	Miscellaneous Supplies and Materials	2,000

Street Signs.

710	Other Structures and Improvements	20,000

Tunnel.

290	Miscellaneous Contractual Services	5,000
390	Miscellaneous Supplies and Materials	4,000

Sanitary.

260	Repairs and Maintenance of Buildings and Structures	6,000
270	Repairs and Servicing of Equipment	4,000
290	Miscellaneous Contractual Services	4,000

Sewer.

260	Repairs and Maintenance of Buildings and Structures	15,000

Water.

300	Automotive Supplies and Materials	3,000
380	Public Works Supplies and Materials	75,000
570	Equipment	25,000
	Snow Removal	100,000

Street Lighting.

270	Repairs and Servicing of Equipment	30,000

Bridge — Building.

310	Building Supplies and Materials	10,000
710	(23-12) Other Structures and Improvements	75,000

Automotive.

500	Equipment	10,000

Ferry.

260 Repairs and Maintenance of Building	20,000

PARK DEPARTMENT.

470 Rental of Auto Trucks	5,000
710 Reconstruction, Repair Parkway and Roadway	20,000
800 Park and Playground Improvements	20,000

MAYOR'S OFFICE.

Industrial Advisor	5,000
Labor Advisor	5,000

BOARD OF REAL ESTATE.

260 Contractual Services	10,000
290 Contractual Services	10,000
MUNICIPAL EMPLOYMENT BUREAU	22,546
STATISTICS DEPARTMENT	22,135
Total	$655,781

For the Committee,
VINCENT J. SHANLEY, Chairman.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

INFORMATION RE OPEN-AIR PARKING SPACES.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to advise the City Council promptly as to—

1. The total number of licenses granted during 1950 for the conducting of open-air parking spaces in the City of Boston.
2. The total sum received by the city in fees during 1950 for licenses to conduct open-air parking spaces in the City of Boston.
3. The total number of such licenses now in effect for 1951.
4. The total amount received in fees during 1951 for such licenses.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PERMIT FOR SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL, V.F.W.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Trustees of the Public Welfare be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to grant Suffolk County Council, Veterans of Foreign Wars, a permit to sell poppies for Friday, May 25, and Saturday, May 26. The proceeds of the poppies will be used for the welfare and relief of hospitalized veterans.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING OF MAPLE STREET.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Maple street in Ward 12.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PAINTING OF "SLOW" SIGNS ON MORTON STREET PAVEMENT.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Order, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to paint "Slow" signs along Morton street, directly upon the pavements along Morton street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT MORTON AND HARVARD STREETS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately begin construction of traffic lights at Morton street and Harvard street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS, WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study immediately the advisability of placing a pedestrian box light at Baird street and Morton street and a flasher at Havelock street and Morton street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

"STOP" SIGNS AT MORTON STREET INTERSECTIONS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately place "Stop" signs at all intersections along Morton street, from American Legion Highway to the junction of Blue Hill avenue.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REACTIVATING OF DISTRICT 3, FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Fire Commissioner to reactivate District 3 of the Boston Fire Department.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TENNIS COURT IN WILLIAM GARY WALSH PLAYGROUND.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to lay out a tennis court in the William Gary Walsh Playground in Ward 17.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

"STOP" SIGNS ON WALDECK AND PARK STREETS.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put "Stop" signs on both sides of Waldeck street and Park street in Ward 17.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS ON SILVER STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove all gas lamps on Silver street, between Dorchester and G streets, Ward 6, and replace same with modern electric lights.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPAIR OF FENCE AT I AND EAST FIRST STREETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace or repair the wire fence at the foot of I and East First streets, Ward 6, adjoining the Stetson Coal Wharf, to protect children from the danger of falling into the channel.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPAINTING OF CROSSWALKS, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repaint all the crosswalks in the Ward 6 area.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SALARIES OF CERTAIN AMBULANCE DRIVERS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to place the ambulance drivers in the Public Buildings and Health Departments on the same salary schedule as the ambulance drivers employed at the Boston City Hospital.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

DEATH OF EDWARD TROWBRIDGE COLLINS.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Whereas, The members of the Boston City Council have learned with deep regret and sorrow of the death of Edward Trowbridge Collins, late vice president of the Boston American League Baseball Club; and

Whereas, "Eddie" Collins, as he was affectionately known during his lifetime as a college student, professional baseball player, and official of the Boston Red Sox organization, was always a gentleman of the highest character, probity and honor; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby extends its sincere sympathy and condolence to the members of his family and prays that God will give them the strength to carry on despite their tremendous loss.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan the Council voted at 2.53 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 4.29 P.M.

INVESTIGATION OF CRIME IN BOSTON BY KEFAUVER COMMITTEE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, favors an investigation of crime in the City of Boston by the U. S. Senate Crime Investigating Committee; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to Chairman Kefauver of said committee.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

Adjourned at 4.30 P.M., on motion of Councilor Sullivan, to meet on Monday, April 2, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, April 2, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Kinsella.

The Very Rev. John J. Hosey of the Mission Church, Roxbury, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY VERY REV. JOHN J. HOSEY.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. O God, our heavenly Father, by the free choice of its free people, we have been entrusted with the welfare of this city. "Sicut patribus sit deus nobis.—As Thou hast been to our forefathers, be also to us."

O God, Thou art the source of every obligation, the fount of every right, the beginning and the end of justice. We know there can never be morality, there can never be disinterested loyalty, there can never be patriotism without faith in Thee.

As our Creator, Thou hast given to us an unalterahle principle which makes for peace, prosperity and happiness. We know that all that is lasting in our American institutions is based upon these principles. We know that all that is opposed to Thee is wrong and must necessarily perish.

Guide, therefore, O God, our deliberations. In our doubts, be Thou our source of light. In our weakness, be Thou our tower of strength. In our failures, be Thou our promising hope. In our successes, be Thou to us a mark of humility.

We know, dear God, there can never be a better American than the citizen and legislator who has the love of Thee and the love of his country entwined about his heartstrings. We know that he who best serves his country best serves Thee. We know he who best loves his country best loves Thee.

O God of our Fathers, Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Farin presiding at the box in the absencc of the Mayor, viz.:

Fifty-one traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear May 7, 1951:

John F. Horgan, Ward 2; Harry Morrison, Ward 2; Aaron Astrin, Ward 3; Salvatore Saraceno, Ward 3; Morris Stone, Ward 3; Leroy S. Baker, Ward 4; Walter T. McGrath, Ward 4; Harry J. Carbo, Ward 5; John T. McGillicuddy, Ward 5; Charles J. Serelis, Ward 5; Theodore M. Shorey, Ward 5; Joseph W. Heiland, Ward 6; Lloyd R. Bilton, Ward 7; Charles R. Young, Ward 7; William R. Schubert, Ward 9; Albert F. Drew, Ward 10; Walter T. Gage, Ward 10; Thomas R. Savill, Ward 10; Cyril V. DeBury, Ward 11; Harry A. Gamble, Ward 11; Robert H. Murphy, Ward 11; Otto P. Snowden, Ward 12; Nathan Bloomfield, Ward 13; Frank Foster, Ward 13; Michael Greene, Ward 13; Edward Abramson, Ward 14; Samuel Bragman, Ward 14; Max Liftman, Ward 14; Joseph Pikin, Ward 14; Frank Stein, Ward 14; John J. Foran, Ward 15; William F. Allen, Ward 16; Harry C. Crosby, Ward 16; Patrick Dolan, Ward 16; Patrick Donagher, Ward 16; Joseph P. Roman, Ward 16; Edwin F. Traft, Ward 16; Louis Swartz, Ward 17; Roger W. Dudley, Ward 18; Patrick Halloran, Ward 19; Michael D. Healey, Ward 19; Philip T. LaVie, Ward 20; Percy A. Garcin, Ward 20; William MacKinley, Ward 20; Richard J. Sutton, Ward 20; John Swift, Ward 20; William L. Anderson, Ward 21; Herbert J. Aron, Ward 21; George A. Gorham, Ward 21; Thomas M. King, Ward 21; Maurice Davis, Ward 22.

One hundred forty-nine traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear May 7, 1951:

Frank Amata, Ward 1; Ralph Faiella, Ward 1; Angelo R. Ferraro, Ward 1; George Iavicoli, Ward 1; James Keane, Ward 1; Edward J. Leary, Ward 1; Tony Palumbo, Ward 1; Giuseppe Pascucci, Ward 1; Henry Pascucci, Ward 1; Henry Petzke, Ward 1; Edward A. Prezioso, Ward 1; Frank Ruggiero, Ward 1; Gereroso J. Sacco, Ward 1; Henry Santosuosso, Ward 1; Anthony D. Spina, Ward 1; Leo Cormier, Ward 2; Martin A. Heller, Ward 2; Daniel P. Beatty, Ward 3; Robert S. Blake, Ward 3; Benjamin Schneider, Ward 3; William J. Sinopoli, Ward 3; Philip E. Boynton, Ward 4; James J. Brennan, Ward 4; Daniel J. Crowley, Ward 4; Jacob Goldston, Ward 4; Carl O. Noble, Ward 4; John J. O'Keefe, Ward 4; Philip O'Keefe, Ward 4; George H. Rimmer, Ward 4; Charles J. Walenten, Ward 4; Fred J. Wilson, Ward 4; William M. Butler, Ward 5; John S. Cullen, Ward 5; William F. McAuliffe, Ward 5.

John Conley, Ward 6; Francis A. Crawford, Ward 6; Dominick P. Ford, Ward 6; William R. Heffernan, Ward 6; Eugene J. Isotti, Ward 6; John Preskins, Ward 6; Frank H. Leahy, Ward 7; Richard McLaughlin, Ward 7; Richard L. Molla, Ward 7; William J. Murphy, Ward 7; John J. Scanlon, Ward 7; Francis J. Trainor, Ward 7; Henry J. Barry, Ward 8; Louis Kimpel, Jr., Ward 8; John J. Foley, Ward 9; William A. Johnson, Ward 9; Ervin Jones, Ward 9; Frank Raymond Thies, Ward 9; George W. Booth, Ward 10; Samuel U. Buchanan, Ward 10; Stephen A. Deagle, Ward 10; Walter T. Degnan, Ward 10; Henry T. Jordan, Ward 10; Charles F. Sweeney, Ward 10; Edward Brinkert, Ward 11; Chester W. French, Ward 11; James M. Goode, Ward 11; Robert J. Gorman, Ward 11; Philip G. Hiltz, Jr., Ward 11; Frank T. Ingraham, Ward 11; Francis McCabe, Ward 11; Bernard T. Mulkern, Ward 11; Patrick F. Myers, Ward 11; Arthur J. Nugent, Ward 11; Clayton F. Rogers, Ward 11; James J. Welch, Ward 11.

James P. Arnold, Ward 12; Carl Harold Bjork, Ward 12; Joshua Bond, Ward 12; Randolph S. Chase, Ward 12; Hyman Cohen, Ward 12; Walter T. Ollen, Ward 12; John M. Petrie, Ward 12; Frank Soroco, Ward 12; Charles T. Williams, Ward 12; Harry E. Bayer, Ward 13; Alfred A. Beaton, Ward 13; Alfred J. Hubbard, Ward 13; Robert F. Minichiello, Ward 13; William J. Owirka, Ward 13; Charles T. Ruggles, Ward 13; Henry C. Wilson, Ward 13; William M. Wright, Ward 13; Paul L. Cusick, Ward 14; Murray A. Dennis, Ward 14; Charles A. Freedman, Ward 14; Martin Kissloff, Ward 14; Harry Mish, Ward 14; Maurice Nathanson, Ward 14; Hyman Pitcher, Ward 14; Myron Shuster, Ward 14; Morris Sobelman, Ward 14; Henry Woldman, Ward 14; Fred L. Brennon, Ward 15; William F. Hackett, Ward 15; George F. Haskins, Ward 15; Paul E. Matthews, Ward 15; Frederic A. Berry, Ward 16; John D. Blondon, Ward 16; Thomas J. Clougher, Ward 16; Theodore T. Morelli, Ward 16; Eugene A. Sawyer, Ward 16; Allen F. Sullivan, Ward 16; Richard T. Wall, Ward 16; Bruce W. Carter, Ward 17; William S. Chapman, Ward 17; Oliver W. Fales, Ward 17; Walter Juodis, Ward 17; Frederick W. McCarthy, Ward 17; Thomas F. O'Connor, Ward 17; John J. Shea, Ward 17; David Siegel, Ward 17; Richard C. Wallace, Ward 17.

Frederick A. Bigwood, Ward 18; Patrick B. Brien, Ward 18; Benjamin H. Ferzoco, Ward 18; Joseph H. Guilford, Ward 18; Martin Katz, Ward 18; James J. Kilroy, Ward 18; Arnold W. Lawrence, Ward 18; Wallace M. Wilder, Ward 18; William Tessin, Jr., Ward 18; Francis M. Carey, Ward 19; Philip W. Faden, Ward 19; Raymond F. Farrell, Ward 19; Kenneth P. Hill, Ward 19; Joseph E. Logue, Ward 19; George A. McCarter, Ward 19; Thomas J. McGuire, Ward 19; James Neely, Ward 19; Walter K. Noel, Ward 19; Harrison R. Partridge, Ward 19; Wesley J. Backman, Ward 20; Stanton H. Becker, Ward 20; Alfred H. McClinchey, Ward 20; Patrick McGrory, Ward 20; Thomas P. Mitchell, Ward 20; Alfred E. O'Donnell, Ward 20; John T. Daley, Ward 21; Albert A. Dunn, Ward 21; Joseph M. Hyman, Ward 21; Lawrence J. Gentilucci, Ward 22; Dirk W. Lohrman, Ward 22; William G. Lucas, Ward 22; Francis J. MacMaster, Ward 22.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Weighers of Goods for term ending April 30, 1951:

Frank J. Marchese, 29 Fidelia Way, Brighton; Victor J. Ferris, 280 Tremont street, Boston; Steve A. Brown, 298 Shawmut avenue, Boston.

Weigher of Coal for term ending April 30, 1951:

Rudolph J. Martikke, 34 Hodgkinson street, Quincy.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

FORTY-HOUR WEEK FOR JAIL EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 2, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Budget Commissioner relative to your order of January 15, 1951, requesting the studying of the feasibility of placing Suffolk County Jail employees on a 40-hour week.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Budget Department, March 27, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

Receipt is acknowledged of City Council order, "that the Budget Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the feasibility of placing Suffolk County Jail employees on a 40-hour week."

This order was passed by the City Council on January 15, 1951, but I have delayed replying because of the fact that investigation disclosed that a bill was already before the legislature providing for a 40-hour week for employees of the Suffolk County Jail. This bill was signed by the Governor on March 15, 1951, and became effective upon passage, as chapter 152 of the Acts of 1951. This act reads as follows:

An Act Relative to the Hours of Duty of Permanent Employees of Suffolk County Jail.

Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of general or special law, the service of all employees of the Suffolk county jail shall be restricted to five days and to forty hours in any one week; provided, that, in cases of emergency, service in excess of five days or such forty hours may be authorized by the sheriff of said county, and such additional service shall be compensated for as overtime. The compensation payable to any such employee shall not be reduced by reason of the provisions of this act.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

In view of the fact that the law has fixed the hours of the employees at the Suffolk County Jail, there is no further need for a study by the Budget Commissioner as requested in the above Council order.

Very truly yours,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Placed on file.

FENCE ALONG FOOT PASSAGEWAY AT MELVILLE AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 2, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the General Manager of the Metropolitan Transit Authority relative to your order of February 12, 1951, requesting the erection of a fence along the foot passageway at Melville avenue and ending at Centre street, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Metropolitan Transit Authority,
March 26, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

Your office has requested a consideration and report on an order of the City Council, requesting the erection of a fence along the surface foot passageway at Shawmut Station, between Melville avenue and Centre street, Dorchester.

An investigation, inspection, and report have been made and there is still an uncertainty as to what is being sought under the order.

In some parts of this passageway its width is now indicated by iron pipe railings, and in other portions the entire width of the tunnel roof is used for the passageway. There is no apparent hazard to passengers and others using any part of this foot passageway.

Under the circumstances it would not seem that the Authority should undertake the expense of providing new or additional fences.

Very respectfully,
EDWARD DANA,
General Manager.

Placed on file.

TENNIS COURT IN WILLIAM GARY WALSH PLAYGROUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 2, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of March 26, 1951, requesting the laying out of tennis court in the William Gary Walsh Playground in Ward 17.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, March 29, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office, with attached enclosure, City Council order dated March 26, requesting the Park Depart-

ment to lay out a tennis court in the William Gary Walsh Playground in Ward 17.

We will be most pleased to take this matter under consideration.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

IDENTIFYING SYMBOL ON VEHICLES IN FUNERAL PROCESSIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 2, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the executive secretary of the Massachusetts Funeral Directors and Embalmers Association relative to your order of February 12, 1951, requesting that it be required that all members of their association equip all vehicles used by them in funeral processions in the City of Boston with an identifying pennant or symbol.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Massachusetts Funeral Directors and Embalmers Association,
Boston, March 31, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of February 14, 1951, regarding the order of the City Council of Boston that members of the Massachusetts Funeral Directors and Embalmers Association equip vehicles used by them in funeral processions in the City of Boston with an identifying pennant or symbol.

The officers and directors of this association have recommended that the members comply with the order of the City Council.

Very truly yours,
L. SHELDON DALY.

Placed on file.

PORTABLE ELECTION BOOTHS, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 2, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Election Commissioner relative to your order of March 12, 1951, requesting the removal of the portable election booths in precincts 8, 10, 20, 21, and 22 in Ward 20, as they are unsightly, have no water or toilet facilities for election workers, and are poorly lighted and heated; also that these portable election booths be replaced by voting precincts in near-by public buildings equipped with voting machines.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Election Commissioners,
March 26, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

This is in answer to your communication of March 14, 1951, together with Council order of March 12, 1951, requesting the removal of the portable election booths in precincts 8, 10, 20, 21, and 22 in Ward 20, as they are unsightly, have no water or toilet facilities for election workers, and are poorly lighted and heated.

May we point out that in no instance have we ever used a portable booth for voting purposes if we could obtain adequate space in a permanent building, either privately or city owned.

The board will be very glad to meet with Councilor Bryan, at his convenience, and very willing to consider any suggestion that he might be able to make to improve the locations in the above-named precincts.

Very truly yours,
JOSEPH RUSSO, Chairman.

Placed on file.

STANDARDS FOR CONCENTRATED MILK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 2, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Health Commissioner relative to your order of March 12, 1951, requesting a study of the advisability of legislation setting up proper sanitary standards for the protection of public health in regard to the purchase and sale of evaporated or concentrated milk if not sterilized and hermetically sealed in a can.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Health Department, March 27, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your communication pertaining to City Council order of March 12, 1951, requesting a study of the advisability of legislation to set up proper sanitary standards for the protection of public health in regard to the purchase and sale of evaporated or concentrated milk if not sterilized and hermetically sealed in a can.

The Health Commissioner of the City of Boston and Mr. Frank E. Mott, Milk Inspector of Boston and chemist of this department, have reviewed "Milk, Frozen Desserts, and Ice-Cream Mix Regulations of the Boston Health Department," and the following is abstracted from pages 43 and 44 of these regulations.

It is provided that evaporated or concentrated milk if not sterilized and in a hermetically sealed can, because it is a fluid food, shall be:

1. Pasteurized.
2. Marked with the day of the week when pasteurized and with the name of the manufacturer.
3. Placed in the final container at the establishment where pasteurized by machine, and having a cap or seal which protects the pouring lip of said container from contamination.
4. Kept continuously at a temperature of below 50 degrees Fahrenheit until delivered to the consumer.
5. The milk used to make the evaporated or concentrated milk shall conform in every respect to the legal standard of Massachusetts and to the bacterial standards of the Health Commissioner.

Further, the Health Commissioner and the Milk Inspector of Boston, on March 23 and March 24, visited, in Vermont, several plants operated by milk distributors in the City of Boston, to obtain current information pertaining to the processes of concentrated fluid fresh milk and to learn at first hand the procedures which distributors are prepared to follow in the marketing of fresh concentrated milk.

The Boston Health Department will continue to maintain vigilance to protect the interests of the City of Boston, with special

emphasis, at present, on the preparation and marketing of milk and milk products.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D.,
Health Commissioner.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING OF RICHMOND STREET, WARD 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 2, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of March 19, 1951, requesting the resurfacing of Richmond street, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
March 26, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface Richmond street, Ward 17, Dorchester, and this will advise you that a survey of this street will be made, and it will be put on the list of streets to be given consideration for construction during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

PRINTING OF "CALENDAR OF EVENTS."

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Under the provisions of section 2 of chapter 24 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, I propose to have printed 125,000 copies of a folder bearing the title, "Calendar of Events in Boston, Spring-Summer, 1951."

This folder will be distributed through hotels, stores, theaters, etc., to the thousands of visitors who will be present in our city, attending conventions or spending vacations in the area. It will contain a calendar showing the various sporting, theatrical, and entertainment features scheduled during the period, as well as historical points of interest, sightseeing trips, and other information to guide visitors in planning their recreational and entertainment program during their stay in our midst.

In my opinion, such a publication will not only advertise the facilities available to visitors but will also create a large measure of good will toward our city.

I submit an order authorizing the printing of this pamphlet and recommend its immediate consideration and adoption.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Ordered, That the Superintendent of Printing be authorized to print 125,000 copies of a folder entitled "Calendar of Events in Boston, Spring-Summer, 1951," the expense of such printing to be charged to City Documents.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of Corless J. Hawkes and James F. Martin, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved by the Council.

RETIREMENT OF CERTAIN TRAFFIC TUNNEL BONDS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 2, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

On September 1, 1931, the City of Boston issued under St. 1929, chapter 297, in connection with the construction of the Sumner Traffic Tunnel, bonds aggregating $3,000,000 and bearing interest at the rate of 4¾ per cent per annum. These bonds were 50-year bonds; but, fortunately, they contain an express provision for call, retirement, and cancellation by the city on September 1, 1951. Funds for the retirement and cancellation of these bonds on September 1, 1951, have been provided for by a bond issue under St. 1945, chapter 361, at a much lower interest rate. Those funds are now in the hands of the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds.

St. 1945, chapter 361, under which the refunding bonds were issued, expressly prescribes that the earlier bonds be called for cancellation at the earliest date permitted, to wit, September 1, 1951. Transmitted herewith is the draft of an order to carry out the mandate of the statute. I recommend its immediate adoption.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Whereas, Under date of September 1, 1931, the City of Boston issued, under St. 1929, chapter 297, Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Acts of 1929, in the aggregate principal amount of $3,000,000, bearing interest at the rate of 4¾ per cent per annum, payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1 of each year, which bonds are due September 1, 1981, with an express provision for call, retirement, and cancellation by the city on any interest date after 20 years from the date of issue; and

Whereas, St. 1945, chapter 361, section 3 provides that, if Traffic Tunnel Retirement Bonds, City of Boston, Acts of 1945, are issued under said chapter 361, the city shall call, retire, and cancel, at the earliest date permitted, Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Acts of 1929, in accordance with their terms; and

Whereas, Traffic Tunnel Retirement Bonds, City of Boston, Acts of 1945, were issued under said chapter 361; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the aforesaid issue of 4¾ per cent Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Acts of 1929, dated September 1, 1931, and due September 1, 1981, be, and hereby is, called for retirement and cancellation on September 1, 1951; and it is hereby further

Ordered, That the City Treasurer of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to give notice of said call during the month of July, 1951, by causing a notice of call to be printed once in each of three successive weeks in (1) two financial publications of national circulation; (2) a newspaper of general circulation published in Chicago, Illinois; (3) a newspaper of general circulation published in Detroit, Michigan; (4) a newspaper of general circulation published in New York, New York; and (5) at least one newspaper of general circulation published in Boston, Massachusetts, and by such other and further means, if any, as said treasurer may deem appropriate; and it is hereby further

Ordered, That the aforesaid notice of call shall be in substantially the following form:

City of Boston,
in the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Notice of Call of Bonds for Retirement and Cancellation.

To Holders of 4¾ Per Cent Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Acts of 1929, Dated September 1, 1931, and Others Concerned:

Notice is hereby given that all outstanding 4¾ per cent Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Acts of 1929, dated September 1, 1931, and due September 1, 1981, have been called for retirement and cancellation on September 1, 1951, on which date interest on such bonds will cease.

Payment of the face amount of each of said bonds, with any accumulated unpaid interest to September 1, 1951, will be made by the City of Boston on and after September 1, 1951, upon surrender of the bond (with, in the case of a coupon bond, the March 1, 1952, and subsequent coupons and the coupons for any accumulated unpaid interest) at the office of the City Treasurer, City Hall, Boston, Massachusetts. Coupons maturing on or before September 1, 1951, may, at the option of the holder, be detached and collected in the usual manner.

City Treasurer of the City of Boston.

July, 1951.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Archie Andrews, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Sanitary Division, Public Works Department.

Babcock Transportation Corporation, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Donald H. Cutting, for compensation for damage to property at 132 Sutherland road, Brighton, caused by backing up of sewage.

Abraham S. Guterman, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

James M. Kelly, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Police Department.

James S. LaRonde, for compensation for damage to car by car of Park Department.

Lester Lazarus, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Traffic Commission.

Margaret R. O'Connor, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Cummins Highway.

John M. Perry, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Bridge and Ferry Division, Public Works Department.

Agnes Y. Samuelian, for compensation for damage to water pipe at 1290 Dorchester avenue, caused by change of water meters.

Alexandria T. Seaver, for compensation for damage to property at 16 Milford street, caused by backing up of sewage.

Joseph Silvia, for compensation for damage to property at 132 Sutherland road, Brighton, caused by backing up of sewage.

Howard J. Sylvester, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Executive.

Petition of Emma L. Carter to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Henry A. Carter, late member of the Police Department.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on April 18 at 10 A.M., on investigation by the department upon its own motion of propriety of rates and charges filed by Boston Consolidated Gas Company on March 20, 1951, to become effective May 1, 1951.

Placed on file.

COMMUNICATION FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of approval of petition of the Metropolitan Transit Authority for permit to operate trackless trolleys on Bennington street, East Boston, to Revere city line.

Placed on file.

LEASE OF LUCRETIA CROCKER SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the School Committee transmitting copy of order passed by School Committee on March 26, 1951, requesting the City Council to authorize the lease of the Lucretia Crocker School, Parker street, Jamaica Plain, to the Jamaica Plain World War II Post No. 359, American Legion.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices were received from the Mayor of the following appointments:

John J. Chapman, 11 Myles Standish road, West Roxbury, to be principal assessor for term ending March 31, 1956.

Gertrude A. Pfau, 197 Stratford street, West Roxbury, to be an election commissioner for term ending March 31, 1955.

Severally placed on file.

LEASE OF LUCRETIA CHOCKER SCHOOL.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the School Committee be, and hereby is, authorized to lease to the Jamaica Plain World War II Post No. 359, American Legion, the Lucretia Crocker School, Parker street, Jamaica Plain, upon such terms and condition as said committee may deem advisable.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

EXEMPTION FROM DRAFT OF CERTAIN COLLEGE STUDENTS.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Whereas, The draft exemption of college students is discriminatory; and

Whereas, Such exemption leaves the burden of combat warfare upon the so-called poorer classes; and

Whereas, The intelligentsia does not necessarily spring from the moneyed class; and

Whereas, We still live in America where all men have equal rights; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, opposes the decision to exempt college students from the draft; and be it further

Resolved, That the contemplated examination be given not alone to college men, but to all men of the draft age regardless of college affiliation; and be it further

Resolved, That this Body favors government subsidization in the education of those found qualified and in need; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the President of the United States and to Draft Director Hershey.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

BASKETBALL COURTS AT FRANKLIN FIELD.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately provide for the laying out of plans calling for the construction of two basketball courts at Franklin Field, adjacent to the tennis courts, and that lights be provided therein so that night games may be played.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

HIPPOPOTAMUS AT FRANKLIN PARK ZOO.

Coun. ANSEL and BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately provide for the replacing of the hippopotamus who died at Franklin Park zoo, and that the Park Commissioner be requested to immediately make a search from such agencies or concerns that may have a hippopotamus available for the pleasure of the children of Boston.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

CURTAILMENT OF PERSONNEL IN HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. ANSEL and McCOLGAN offered the following:
Resolved, That the Boston City Council in meeting assembled register a vigorous protest to the discharge of fourteen painters and six special officers, all employed in low-income housing developments; and that such curtailment of personnel interferes with the maintenance and sanitation of the projects involved; and that the release of the six special officers will provide unwarranted destruction of the said property; and that the removal of this personnel is false economy; and that it be further
Ordered, That the Boston City Council in meeting assembled request the Federal Housing Authorities to immediately order the return and reinstatement of these employees by the direction of the Boston Housing Authority; and be it further
Ordered, That copies of this resolution be sent to Majority Leader Hon. John W. McCormack and United States Senators Leverett Saltonstall and Henry Cabot Lodge.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

CLEANING OF STREETS.

Coun. COOK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to clean all streets in the City of Boston from winter residue of dirt, etc.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

SAYWARD STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Sayward street, Ward 15, one way, from Columbia road to Bird street.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REMOVAL OF CERTAIN VOTING BOOTHS, WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Election Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make plans to have the booths at precinct 6 on Sharpe street and at precinct 20 on Stone terrace, Ward 17, removed and placed in a permanent building, so that the workers may have water and various other facilities.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEASE OF PROPERTY TO METROPOLITAN POST.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY and SULLIVAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Real Estate Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to lease, for $1 a year, city-owned property located at 14 Elmwood street, Roxbury, to the Metropolitan Post, American Veterans of World War II.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REGRET AT RESIGNATION OF JAMES W. KELLEHER.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Resolved, That the Boston City Council in meeting assembled sincerely regrets the loss of the services of an extremely capable and brilliant assistant corporation counsel, James W. Kelleher, who has resigned his position to enter private practice, and wishes him every success in his future endeavors.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ADDITIONAL BENCHES AT McKENNEY PLAYGROUND.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to install additional benches at McKenney Playground, Faneuil street, Ward 22.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ARC LIGHTS ON WEST THIRD STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install arc lights to replace the present gas lamps on West Third street, Ward 6, from D street to Dorchester avenue.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

SIDEWALKS ON H STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install cement sidewalks on H street, Ward 6, from East Sixth street to East First street.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

BUDGET FOR 1951.

On motion of Councilor Hannon it was voted to recall from the Executive Committee the appropriations and tax orders for 1951, as submitted by the Mayor, referred February 5, 1951, and the supplementary appropriation orders for $2,489,750, referred February 19, 1951.
The question came on the passage of the appropriations and tax orders for 1951, as submitted by the Mayor.
On motion of Councilor Cook it was voted that Item 23-31, Snow Removal, Public Works Department, be reduced $100,000.
On motion of Councilor Sullivan to reconsider the foregoing vote, the motion was lost.
Councilor Cook moved that Item 270, Repairs and Servicing of Equipment, Auditing Department, Central Payroll Division, $4,600,

be rejected. The motion was lost. Councilor Cook moved reconsideration of the foregoing vote, and reconsideration did not prevail. Councilor Cook moved that Item 2, Contractual Services, Auditing Department, Central Payroll Division, be reduced $4,600.

Chairman SULLIVAN ruled that the motion was out of order. Councilor Cook appealed the decision of the Chair.

Coun. BRYAN in the chair.

The question was: "Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the Council?" The decision of the Chair was not sustained, yeas 4, nays 15:

Yeas—Councilors Hurley, McColgan, Sullivan, Wenzler—4.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Yerxa—15.

Voting Present—Councilor Hannon—1.

President HURLEY in the chair.

Coun. HANNON moved that Item 71-58, Boston Housing Authority, for $27,000, be rejected. The motion was lost.

Coun. CANTWELL moved that Item 3, Supplies and Materials, Fire Department, be reduced $52,000. The motion was lost. Councilor Cantwell moved that Item 500, Automotive Equipment, Fire Department, be reduced $25,000. The motion was lost.

Coun. CANTWELL moved that Item 560, Office Furniture and Equipment, Fire Department, for $6,500, be rejected. The motion was lost.

Coun. YERXA moved that Item 2, Contractual Services, Fire Department, be reduced $33,000. The motion was carried.

On motion of Councilor Cook to reconsider the foregoing vote the motion was lost.

Coun. HANNON moved that if the budget was not passed before nine o'clock, a vote on the passage of the budget be taken at nine o'clock. Councilor Beades moved to amend Councilor Hannon's motion that a vote on the passage of the budget be taken at eleven o'clock. The question came on Councilor Beades' amendment, and the motion to amend was lost.

The question then came on Councilor Hannon's motion, and the motion was lost.

Coun. SULLIVAN moved that the budget as submitted by the Mayor and as amended, together with the supplementary appropriation orders, be passed. The motion was lost, yeas 2, nays 18:

Yeas—Councilors Hurley, Sullivan—2.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Coun. COOK moved that Item 2, Contractual Services, Central Payroll Division, Auditing Department, be reduced $4,500. The motion was lost.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Coffey the Council voted at 5.58 P.M. to take a recess until 7.30 P.M. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 7.45 P.M.

Coun. FARIN moved that Item 1, Personal Services, Mayor, Office Expenses, be reduced $10,000. The motion was lost, yeas 7, nays 12:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Cantwell, Cook, Farin, Ramsey, P. A. Tracy, Yerxa—7.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Chase, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—12.

On motion of Councilor P. A. Tracy to reconsider the foregoing vote, the motion was lost, yeas 6, nays 12:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Cantwell, Cook, Farin, Ramsey, P. A. Tracy—6.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Chase, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—12.

On motion of Councilor Cook that Item 3, Supplies and Materials, Central Payroll Division, Auditing Department, be reduced $8,000, the motion was carried.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan to reconsider the foregoing vote, the motion was lost.

Coun. BEADES moved that Item 2, Contractual Services, Public Buildings Department, be reduced $25,000. The motion was lost.

Coun. RAMSEY moved that Item 3, Supplies and Materials, Water Division, Public Works Department, be reduced $78,000. The motion was carried, yeas 12, nays 7:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy—12.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, McColgan, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—7.

Coun. RAMSEY moved that Item 570, Public Works Equipment, Water Division, Public Works Department, be reduced $25,000. The motion was carried, yeas 11, nays 6:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler—11.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Coffey, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, Sullivan—6.

Coun. RAMSEY moved that Item 2, Contractual Services, Water Division, Public Works Department, be reduced $10,000. The motion was carried.

Coun. FARIN moved that Item 1, Personal Service, Mayor, Office Expenses, be reduced $20,000. The motion was lost.

Coun. CANTWELL moved that Item 2, Contractual Services, Lighting Division, Public Works Department, be reduced $30,000. The motion was lost, yeas 7, nays 12:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Cantwell, Cook Farin, Ramsey, Shanley, P. A. Tracy—7.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Chase, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, Yerxa—12.

Coun. RAMSEY moved to reconsider the foregoing vote. The motion to reconsider was carried, yeas 10, nays 9:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy—10.

Nays—Councilors Bryan, Coffey, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—9.

The question came on the motion of Councilor Cantwell that Item 2, Contractual Services, Lighting Division, Public Works Department, be reduced $30,000.

Coun. McCOLGAN moved the previous question. The motion for the previous question was lost, yeas 9, nays 9:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Cook, Farin, Ramsey, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy—9.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Coffey, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—9.

Coun. COFFEY moved that Item 2, Contractual Services, Lighting Division, Public Works Department, be reduced $75,000. Councilor Chase moved the previous question. The motion for the previous question was carried.

The question then came on the motion of Councilor Coffey that Item 2, Contractual Services, Lighting Division, Public Works Department, be reduced $75,000. The motion was carried, yeas 12, nays 7:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Lanigan, Ramsey, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy—12.

Nays—Councilors Hannon, Hurley, McColgan, Shanley, Sullivan, Wenzler, Yerxa—7.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

Coun. RAMSEY moved that Item 3, Supplies and Materials, Bridge Service, Public Works Department, be reduced $10,000. The motion was carried.

Coun. RAMSEY moved that Item 7, 23-12, Bridges, Repairs, Etc., Bridge Service, Public Works Department, be reduced $75,000. The motion was carried.

Coun. RAMSEY moved that Item 2, Contractual Services, Ferry Service, Public Works Department, be reduced $20,000. The motion was lost.

Coun. P. A. TRACY moved that Item 3, Supplies and Materials, Election Department, be reduced $16,000. The motion was lost.

Coun. BRYAN moved that the budget as submitted by the Mayor and as amended, be passed. The budget as submitted by the Mayor and as amended was passed, yeas 11, nays 9:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, McColgan, Sullivan, Wenzler—11.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Farin, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Yerxa—9.

Coun. RAMSEY moved to reconsider the foregoing vote.

The motion to reconsider the foregoing vote was carried. The question then came on Councilor Bryan's motion for the passage of the budget as submitted by the Mayor and as amended, and the motion was lost, yeas 10, nays 10:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, McColgan, Sullivan—10.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Coffey, Farin, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—10.

Coun. RAMSEY moved that at 11.55 P.M. the final vote be taken on the passage of the budget, as amended, and the motion was carried.

Coun. RAMSEY moved that Item 470, Rents, Park Department, be reduced $5,000. The motion was carried.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY moved that Item 3, Supplies and Materials, Paving Service, Public Works Department, be reduced $2,000. The motion was carried.

Coun. BRYAN moved that the budget, as submitted by the Mayor, and as amended, be passed. The budget, as submitted by the Mayor, and as amended, was passed, yeas 20, nays 0:

Yeas—Counselors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—20.

Nays—0.

On motion of Councilor Bryan the supplementary appropriation order for $2,489,750 was passed, yeas 19, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, Yerxa—19.

Nays—0.

Adjourned at 12 midnight, on motion of Councilor Hannon, to meet on Monday, April 9, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, April 9, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Ansel, Coffey, Cook, and Hannon.

The Reverend William D. Keenan, pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, Jamaica Plain, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. WILLIAM D. KEENAN.

O Almighty God, loving and merciful Father of all men, look down, we beseech Thee, upon this legislative body which seeks today Thy guidance and Thine unfailing assistance. Help these elected representatives of a free people to understand rightly both their dependence on Thee and their responsibility towards the civil community whose destiny they control. Their authority comes from Thee; they must exercise it in Thy name and in conformity with Thy law. Let no thought of selfish interest obscure in their minds the clear vision of Thy truth which will draw their deliberations into the channels of righteousness; let no desire for earthly gain come into conflict with the firm purpose of serving Thee, which will strengthen their wills and bring to them assurance of Thy blessing for their official enactments.

O just and upright God, help us all to work together according to Thy plan for the safety and peace of our own community and of the nation whose cause we are pledged to defend. We have learned to our sorrow that our ways are not always Thine. We are being driven back into Thine arms by our hatred of one another; we turn to Thee once more, chastened by the cruel misery of an order of society from which Thou art being excluded. Grant that we may yet be aroused, before it is too late, to a sense of the doom which awaits us for having rejected Thee. Our fathers built this community on Thee, and moulded its wholesome traditions in the forms of virtue which they discovered in Thy revealed teachings. If we still rejoice in the dignity and freedom which belong to us as Thy creatures, it is because those who have gone before us were faithful to Thee. May it not be charged against us by our descendants in years to come that we enslaved them to despotic rulers of a communistic society by refusing to submit to the saving yoke of Thy commandments. Truly Thou hast made us for Thyself, and unless we turn to Thee we shall be lost forever.

O God of goodness and holiness, we rejoice in Thy nearness to us. We pray that Thou mayst not desert us as disaster threatens to bring us to ruin. We pledge to Thee that singleness of purpose under Thy guidance which will unite us to one another against Thine enemies, and bring us at length to an eternity of union with Thee. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

CONSTABLES AUTHORIZED TO SERVE CIVIL PROCESS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, I hereby appoint the following-named persons as constables of the City of Boston for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1951, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond.

The commissions of all constables authorized to serve civil process not named herein expire on April 30, 1951, and such constables are hereby removed from office from and after May 1, 1951, for the good of the service.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

CONSTABLES AUTHORIZED TO SERVE CIVIL PROCESS UPON FILING BONDS.

Samuel J. Adelman, 36 Regent street, Ward 12.
Donald M. Ahigian, 241 Columbus avenue, Ward 4.
Henry Atwood, 16 National street, Ward 7.
Samuel C. Baker, 25 Wabon street, Ward 12.
Irving E. Bennett, 20 Deckard street, Ward 12.
Alfred Blaustein, 23 Fernboro street, Ward 14.
Abram Bornstein, 625 Warren street, Ward 12.
George W. Brooker, 258 Park street, Ward 20.
Howard P. Camden, 35 Range road, Ward 17.
James A. Canton, 169 Glenway street, Ward 14.
Sidney Cohen, 70 American Legion Highway, Ward 14.
John D. Cole, 14 West Cottage street, Ward 13.
Leo P. Conlan, 123 Strandview road, Ward 13.
John M. Crawford, 27 Washington street, Ward 2.
John A. D'Arcy, 51 Colchester street, Ward 18.
Edward A. DeSimone, 1130 Saratoga street, Ward 1.
James E. Desmond, 7 Mapleton street, Ward 22.
Patrick J. Donovan, 1 Cambridge terrace, Ward 21.
William J. DuRoss, 462 Gallivan Boulevard, Ward 16.
Gaetano D. Finamore, 191 Marion street, Ward 1.
Roland W. Golden, 38 Regent street, Ward 12.
Abner Goldkrand, 48 Wenonah street, Ward 12.
Meyer Goldstein, 27 Long avenue, Ward 21.
Louis E. Grace, 97 Wellington Hill street, Ward 14.
Salvatore Grassa, 11 Copeland street, Ward 12.
Edward A. Hanson, 40 Sumner street, Ward 13.
Corless J. Hawkes, 33 Compton street, Ward 3.
John W. Herbert, 726 Saratoga street, Ward 1.
Edward G. Hession, 34 Thetford avenue, Ward 17.
James A. Hickey, 138 Tyndale street, Ward 20.
Edward I. Hoffman, 395 Blue Hill avenue, Ward 12.
Arnold Klevins, 106 Millet street, Ward 17.
Bronis Kontrim, 120 Marine road, Ward 7.
Mark H. Krafsur, 447 Norfolk street, Ward 14.
Nathan Kravitsky, 306 Washington street, Ward 14.
John Francis Lally, 97 Waldeck street, Ward 17.
Charles I. Lesser, 120 Corey road, Ward 21.
Louis Levendorf, 421 Warren street, Ward 12.
John A. Letteney, 2417 Centre street, Ward 20.
Maurice Levine, 40 Wolcott street, Ward 14.
Melvin H. Ligums, 27 Abbot street, Ward 14.
Alfred Lubin, 60 The Fenway, Ward 4.

Anthony Luongo, 855 Saratoga street, Ward 1.

William H. Lynch, 236 Kittredge street, Ward 18.

Frank J. Macchia, 770 East Fourth street, Ward 7.

Salvatore Maffei, 11 Orient avenue, Ward 1.

Andrew Martin, 22 Fayston street, Ward 13.

James F. Martin, 120 Corey road, Ward 21.

Joseph W. McCleary, 307 West street, Ward 18.

Francis J. Melville, Jr., 10 Auburn street, Ward 2.

Frank A. Mitchell, 7 Bruce street, Ward 16.

Bernard M. Mullen, 4 Neptune road, Ward 1.

Michael W. Ober, 78 Glenville avenue, Ward 21.

Ralph Ober, 21 Evelyn street, Ward 18.

Louis H. Oppenheim, 7 Mt. Hood road, Ward 21.

Andrew J. Palermo, 18 Bloomfield street, Ward 17.

Hector Palladino, 12 Greenough Lane, Ward 3.

Phillip S. Phillips, 829 Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14.

George N. Pierce, 15 Atherton street, Ward 11.

Louis B. Ransom, 890 Albany street, Ward 8.

Louis Richmond, 111 Waumbeck street, Ward 12.

Frank A. Roche, 20 Lexington street, Ward 1.

Edward J. Rockett, 15 Worcester square, Ward 8.

Albert L. Rosenburg, 80 Peterborough street, Ward 5.

Jacob B. Rosenthal, 9 Hansborough street, Ward 14.

William T. Ross, 41 Intervale street, Ward 14.

Samuel Schwartz, 7 Havelock street, Ward 14.

Jacob E. Schrank, 735 Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, Ward 20.

Joseph P. Schrank, 735 Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, Ward 20.

Francis C. Shack, 22 Delle avenue, Ward 10.

Frank Shaw, 12 Codman street, Ward 17.

Edward W. Sheehan, 26 Burgoyne street, Ward 16.

Sidney Sheinfeld, 166 Rosseter street, Ward 14.

Isaac Shulman, 128 Devon street, Ward 14.

Joseph L. Shurtleff, 39 Union Park street, Ward 8.

Joseph Simansky, 77 Nightingale street, Ward 14.

Henry J. D. Small, 14 Windermere road, Ward 13.

Leon Small, 19 Esmond street, Ward 14.

Clifford L. Smith, 56 Edison Green, Ward 13.

Harry Smith, 526 Massachusetts avenue, Ward 9.

Solomon Spack, 16 Georgia street, Ward 12.

Frank Spano, 31 Sargent street, Ward 13.

Jerome Suvalle, 19 Owen street, Ward 18.

Benjamin J. Tackeff, 52 Columbia road, Ward 14.

William Tatel, 172 Seaver street, Ward 12.

William Tepper, 4 Intervale street, Ward 12.

Joseph Todisco, 101 Bennington street, Ward 1.

Rudolph L. Trent, 30 Sarsfield street, Ward 9.

Roman J. Vasil, 11 Granada avenue, Ward 18.

Sidney Williams, 37 Winthrop street, Ward 12.

Louis Yacker, 1063 Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14.

Morris Youman, 5 Pama Gardens, Ward 22.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

MINOR OFFICERS PAID BY FEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, I make the following appointments of minor officers paid by fees for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1951.

The appointments of all such officers not named herein are hereby revoked from and after April 30, 1951.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

(The names of the persons appointed as minor officers are contained in City Document No. 44, 1951.)

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the appointment of Lawrence McGrath, 29 Montcalm avenue, Brighton, as weigher of goods for term ending April 30, 1951.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

"STOP" SIGNS AT WALDECK AND PARK STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of March 26, 1951, requesting that "Stop" signs be put on both sides of Waldeck street and Park street in Ward 17.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
April 5, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order requesting "Stop" signs on both sides of Waldeck and Park streets, in Ward 17, I wish to report that our engineers have surveyed this area several times in the past and have stated that this intersection does not have the characteristics and qualifications which would warrant an isolated "Stop" sign being erected at this point.

"Stop" signs have to be approved by the State Department of Public Works, and the basis for their approval is generally that such a location be either the intersection of two main highways, or that both streets carry traffic which is not made up of vehicles having local origin or destination points.

The intersection of Park and Waldeck streets does not come under either of these classifications, and the volume of traffic using these streets is not larger than that using adjoining streets.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT MORTON AND HARVARD STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your

order of March 26, 1951, requesting that construction begin immediately on traffic lights at Morton street and Harvard street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission.
April 4, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order dated March 26, 1951, that construction begin immediately for traffic lights at Morton and Harvard streets, I wish to report that this location is among those which are to be the first installed during the next few months.

All equipment is at hand with the exception of lead cable which, although ordered late in 1950, has not yet been received.

The installation of traffic lights at Morton and Harvard streets will be made at the earliest possible moment.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

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REPAINTING OF CROSSWALKS, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of March 26, 1951, requesting that all crosswalks be repainted in the Ward 6 area.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission.
April 4, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of March 26, 1951, that crosswalks be painted in Ward 6, I wish to report that our seasonal painting program is expected to begin within the next two weeks, and we shall do the work requested in Ward 6.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

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PAINTING OF "SLOW" SIGNS ON MORTON STREET PAVEMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of March 26, 1951, requesting the painting of "Slow" signs along Morton street directly upon the pavement along Morton street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
April 4, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order dated March 26, 1951, requesting that "Slow" signs be painted along Morton street, I wish to report that orders have been given to accomplish this work at the earliest possible date.

Adverse weather conditions during the past few days and the pending arrival of our painting crew to take up the spring painting program has caused a slight delay, but within a matter of days this work should be completed.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

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TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS, WARD 14.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of March 26, 1951, requesting a study of the advisability of placing a pedestrian box light at Baird street and Morton street and a flasher at Havelock street and Morton street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
April 4, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order of March 26, 1951, requesting that a study be made of the advisability of placing a pedestrian box light at Baird street and Morton street and a flasher at Havelock street and Morton street, I wish to report that I attended a public meeting on Saturday evening, March 31, held in the district for the purpose of discussing the traffic problems in this area.

The location for traffic lights had been previously agreed upon for the corner of Morton and Harvard streets. The feasibility of installing additional lights at Havelock and Baird streets is now under consideration.

As a result of this meeting a suggestion was made that Baird street be made one way in the opposite direction from tbat now in effect. This will be brought up at the next meeting of this Commission on April 12.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

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RESURFACING OF MAPLE STREET, WARD 12.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of March 26, 1951, requesting the resurfacing of Maple street in Ward 12.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 2, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of March 26:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Maple street in Ward 12."

An immediate survey will be made of the above-referenced street, and every reasonable effort will be made to have the resurfacing of it included in this year's street reconstruction program, if the results of the survey determine that such action is necessary.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPAIR OF FENCE AT I AND EAST FIRST STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of March 26, 1951, requesting the replacement or repairing of the wire fence at the foot of I and East First streets, Ward 6, adjoining the Stetson Coal Wharf, to protect children from the danger of falling into the channel.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 5, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner replace or repair a wire fence at the foot of I and East First streets, Ward 6, and submit a copy of a letter forwarded to the Navy Department, as follows:

"April 4, 1951.

Commander G. C. Emery, Public Works Officer,
Boston Naval Shipyard, Bldg. 200, Charlestown, Mass.
Dear Sir:

The Boston City Council on March 26, 1951, passed the following:

'Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace or repair the wire fence at the foot of I and East First streets, Ward 6, adjoining the Stetson Coal Wharf, to protect children from the danger of falling into the channel.'

Investigation shows this fence was located on Navy Department land between the Stetson Fuel Company building and a chain link fence surrounding the K Street Annex, about fifty feet north of East First street. The original pipe fence posts are still in position, and we believe this section of fence was originally erected by the Navy Department.

As this fence is on property that is not a public way, it is not within my jurisdiction, and I am unable to comply with the above order.

I shall appreciate it—and I am sure the apprehensive parents in the neighborhood will be grateful—if you can arrange to have this fence restored, at your earliest convenience. Mr. George Bradley of your office has discussed this matter with my assistant and is, therefore, well acquainted with the subject. However, if additional information is required, please feel free to call upon me.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works."

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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HOSPITAL CHARGES TO BOSTON CITIZENS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Superintendent of the Boston City Hospital relative to your order of February 19, 1951, requesting that an investigation be made with the possibility of reducing the rate of hospital charge to citizens of Boston who receive medical treatment.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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The Boston City Hospital,
April 5, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held on March 30, City Council order of February 19, 1951, was presented requesting that an investigation be made with the possibility of reducing the rate of hospital charge to citizens of Boston who receive medical treatment.

The Trustees feel that it would be inadvisable to reduce our fixed charges for the care of patients at this time, as hospital expenses have markedly increased during the past two years.

Very truly yours,
J. W. MANARY, M.D., Superintendent.

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INFORMATION RE OPEN-AIR PARKING SPACES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the secretary to the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of March 26, 1951, requesting the Board of Street Commissioners to supply certain information regarding open-air parking licenses in the City of Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
April 4, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Replying to Council order of March 26, 1951, introduced by Councilor Coffey, requesting the Board of Street Commissioners to supply certain information regarding open-air parking licenses in the City of Boston, I am most pleased to submit the following:

1. Three hundred forty-two (342) licenses were granted during 1950 for the conducting of open-air parking spaces in the City of Boston, 38 of which covered seasonal parking only, as follows: baseball, 28; football, 9; horse racing, 1.

2. The total sum received by the city in fees during 1950 for licenses to conduct open-air parking spaces in the City of Boston amounted to $28,758.95. Of this amount, $3,124.28 applied to seasonal parking licenses to which reference is made above.

3. Two hundred seventy-two (272) such licenses are now in effect for 1951. (No seasonal open-air parking licenses have been granted or issued up to the present time.)

4. The total amount received in fees during 1951 for such licenses is $25,566.

Respectfully submitted,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

HIPPOPOTAMUS AT FRANKLIN PARK ZOO.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of April

2, 1951, requesting that he immediately provide for the replacing of the hippopotamus who died at the Franklin Park Zoo and that a search be made from such agencies or concerns that may have a hippopotamus available for the pleasure of the children of Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, April 6, 1951.
Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chiek Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I have your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of Councilors Ansel and Bryan, dated April 2, 1951, requesting that I immediately provide for the replacing of the hippopotamus who died at the Franklin Park Zoo and that a search be made from such agencies or concerns that may have a hippopotamus available for the pleasure of the children of Boston.

During the past year we have made many changes at the Franklin Park Zoo. We have added many new exhibits and, in fact, the zoo is in better condition now than it has been for many years.

We are making efforts among the animal dealers, not only in this country but outside of the United States, to obtain a hippopotamus if one is available.

Yours very truly,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

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ADDITIONAL BENCHES AT McKINNEY PLAYGROUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of April 2, 1951, requesting the installation of additional benches at McKinney Playground, Faneuil street, Ward 22.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, April 6, 1951.
Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order dated April 4, 1951, requesting the installation of additional benches at the McKinney Playground, Faneuil street, Brighton.

This matter will be referred to the chief engineer of this department. Every effort will be made to comply with the request of the City Council.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

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BASKETBALL COURTS AT FRANKLIN FIELD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of April 2, 1951, requesting that he immediately provide for the laying out of plans calling for the construction of two basketball courts at Franklin Field, adjacent to the tennis courts, and that lights be provided therein so that night games may be played.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, April 6, 1951.
Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I desire to acknowledge your memorandum, with enclosure, City Council order of April 2, 1951, requesting that I immediately provide for the laying out of plans calling for the construction of two basketball courts at Franklin Field, adjacent to the tennis courts, and that lights be provided therein so that night games may be played.

This matter will be taken under consideration. I have referred same to the deputy commissioner and the chief engineer of this department.

Very truy yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

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SALARIES OF CERTAIN AMBULANCE DRIVERS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Budget Commissioner relative to your order of March 26, 1951, requesting that the ambulance drivers in the Public Buildings and Health Departments be placed on the same salary schedule as the ambulance drivers at the City Hospital.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Budget Department, April 3, 1951.
Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Council order passed March 26, 1951, and reading as follows has been received:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to place the ambulance drivers in the Public Buildings and Health Departments on the same salary schedule as the ambulance drivers employed at the Boston City Hospital."

The inequalities in the rate of pay of ambulance drivers in the Public Buildings and Health Departments as compared with the ambulance drivers at the Boston City Hospital is another example of many existing inequalities in pay for positions with similar duties and responsibilities in the city service which have developed because of the lack of a comprehensive classification and compensation plan.

A contract has been awarded to J. L. Jacobs and Company, Management Consultants, to make a survey with a view to developing a classification and compensation plan for employees of the city. This survey is now well under way and without doubt will contain recommendations with a view to correcting inequalities such as cited in the Council order. Under the circumstances, therefore, in my opinion, nothing would be gained by attempting to make individual adjustments at the present time as suggested in the Council order.

Very truly yours,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

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REACTIVATING OF DISTRICT 3, FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Fire Commissioner relative to your order of March 26, 1951, requesting that District 3 of the Boston Fire Department be reactivated.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Fire Department, April 3, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I acknowledge receipt of your transmittal letter with an order from the City Council asking his Honor to direct the Fire Commissioner to reactivate District 3 of the Boston Fire Department.

This matter will be given consideration, and we shall report to you when a decision has been made.

Sincerely yours,
M. T. KELLEHER, Fire Commissioner.

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PERMIT FOR SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL, V.F.W.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from Secretary to the Overseers of Public Welfare relative to your order of March 26, 1951, requesting that Suffolk County Council, Veterans of Foreign Wars, be granted a permit to sell poppies for Friday, May 25, and Saturday, May 26. The proceeds of the poppies will be used for the welfare and relief of hospitalized veterans.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Overseers of Public Welfare,
April 5, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Attention of Mr. Shannon, Chief Clerk.
Dear Sir:

The Overseers of the Public Welfare in the City of Boston have received notification of the following order of the City Council, which was passed March 26, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Board of Trustees of the Public Welfare be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to grant Suffolk County Council, Veterans of Foreign Wars, a permit to sell poppies for Friday, May 25, and Saturday, May 26. The proceeds of the poppies will be used for the welfare and relief of hospitalized veterans."

At its meeting on April 2, 1951, after careful consideration, the Board of Overseers of the Public Welfare reaffirmed its previous decision that no organization be given two days in any calendar year to conduct tag days.

The Board is not opposed to any organization, but because of the multiplicity of demands for tag days, if one organization is given the privilege of soliciting on the streets for two days, every organization, and especially veterans' organizations, would have to be given the same privilege. This would merely mean that in the long run all organizations would have minimum returns, because the public can and will give only certain amounts.

Therefore, the Overseers of the Public Welfare in the City of Boston feel they must adhere to the rule of one day a year for such solicitations.

Sincerely yours,
WILLIAM G. O'HARE, Secretary.

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GRANTING OF HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS TO CERTAIN MEMBERS OF SENIOR CLASS WHO HAVE ENLISTED.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Acting Secretary to the Boston School Committee relative to your order of January 15, 1951, requesting that it be suggested that regular high school diplomas be granted to any members in good standing of the senior class who, from this date forward, enlist in the armed forces of the United States.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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The School Committee of the City of Boston,
April 3, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

At the Conference of the School Committee held on March 26, 1951, the following order passed by the City Council under date of January 15, 1951, was presented:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor suggest to the Boston School Committee that regular high school diplomas be granted to any members in good standing of the senior class who, from this date forward, enlist in the armed forces of the United States."

The School Committee, in compliance with chapter 67 of the Acts of 1951 and on recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, has agreed that high school seniors who enter the armed forces of the United States from February 1 of the school year, and who are in good standing, that is, who are receiving passing grades in sufficient subjects to graduate, shall be awarded diplomas.

Head masters of high schools are asked to be liberal in their interpretation of the complete statute.

Very truly yours,
AGNES E. REYNOLDS, Acting Secretary.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER FROM PARKMAN FUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners requesting the appropriation of $49,000 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

The 1951 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of $180,000 from the Parkman Fund. The budget allowance made provision for the appropriation of this income as it accrued for the purpose of defraying the cost of work actually performed on the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

I submit herewith an order appropriating the sum of $49,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully request its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 3, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners, you are respectfully asked to request the City Council to transfer from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund the sum of $49,000, which is now available, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of..... $49,000

When making up the budget estimates for the year 1951, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item 100, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1951, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of $49,000 be, and hereby is, appropriated from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of..... $49,000

Referred to the Committee on Parkman Fund.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SEWERS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works in which he requests a bond issue to the amount of $1,000,000 for sewerage works.

At the present time the Sewerage Works Loan issued in 1949 does not contain a sufficient balance to meet the normal sewer construction requirements for the balance of the year. It is, therefore, essential that additional funds be available for this most necessary purpose.

I respectfully recommend passage of the Sewerage Works Loan order of $1,000,000 by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 9, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

A Sewerage Works Loan in the amount of $1,000,000 was issued in June of 1949. At the present time, we have an unencumbered balance of $345,000 in that account. The loan is used to pay the cost of all new sewer construction and for engineering and inspectional service relating to such work.

In order to effect our normal sewer construction program during the current year and to pay the salaries of the engineers and inspectors assigned to this program, it is most essential that we provide for the issuance of a new loan in the amount of $1,000,000.

I respectfully recommend, therefore, that the attached loan order—which provides for the issuance of a so-called Sewerage Works Loan in the amount of $1,000,000—be submitted to the City Council for the approval of that Body.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That under the provisions of clause 1 of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of one million dollars ($1,000,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, for the construction of sewers for sanitary and surface drainage purposes, and for sewage disposal, and that, to meet said appropriation, the City Treasurer be authorized to issue, from time to time, on request of the Mayor, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the city to said amount.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC WAYS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works in which he requests the issuance of a loan order to the amount of $2,000,000 for "Public Ways, Construction of."

As stated by the Commissioner of Public Works, it is the intention of the city, this year, to undertake one of the largest Chapter 90 state-aid projects in the history of the city, contemplating the construction of approximately eight miles of main highways in various sections of the city. In addition to this program, it is also the purpose of the city to carry out the normal street construction and reconstruction program in the city, for which we pay the entire cost.

In view of the fact that the construction and reconstruction of streets in our city is a normal and very necessary operation of the city government, and in view of the fact that there is not sufficient money available to accomplish the current program, I submit herewith for the consideration of your Honorable Body a loan order in the sum of $2,000,000 for the purposes as outlined above.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 9, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

At the present time there is an unencumbered balance of $344,071.29 in the "Public Ways, Construction of" account for highway construction and reconstruction work during the current year.

It is our intention to undertake one of the largest Chapter 90 state-aid projects in the history of the city. The tentative Chapter 90 program—which includes approximately eight miles of main highways in various sections of this city—is as follows:

Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, from Morton street to a point approximately 1,100 feet north.

Belgrade avenue, Roslindale, from Robert street to Centre street.

Bennington street, East Boston, from Neptune road to Walley street.

Centre street, West Roxbury, from Weld street to Church street.

Washington street, Brighton, from Cambridge street to Oak square.

Cambridge street, Brighton, from Union square to Washington street.

Spring street, West Roxbury, from Centre street to Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway.

Alford street, Charlestown, from drawbridge to the Everett line.

Massachusetts avenue, from Edward Everett square to Columbus avenue.

The Bennington Street Project might have to be deferred until 1952, due to the inability of the MTA to eliminate streetcar operation before November or December of this year. However, it is our intention to proceed with all of the other projects listed on the tabulation, and it is estimated that the program for Chapter 90 work alone will approximate $800,000.

In addition to the Chapter 90 projects, it is most essential that we carry out our normal street construction and reconstruction program. I feel that we shall need at least $2,000,000 in addition to our present unencumbered balance to provide sufficient funds to effect the Chapter 90 program and our regular street improvement work.

I respectfully recommend, therefore, that the attached loan order—which provides for the issuance of so-called "Public Ways, Construction of" bonds in the amount of $2,000,000—be submitted to the City Council for the approval of that Body.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That under the provisions of clause 5 of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of two million dollars ($2,000,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, for the construction of public ways or permanent pavement, and that, to meet said appropriation, the City Treasurer be authorized to issue, from time to time, on request of the Mayor, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the city to said amount.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Aetna Casualty and Surety Company, for compensation for damage to car of Mary L. Powers by city truck.

Babcock-Davis Associates, Inc., for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Beacon Hardware and Supplies Company, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 218 Cambridge street, caused by broken water pipe.

Lee Bourget, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Ridgewood street.

John Burns, for compensation for damage to property at 61 Magazine street, Roxbury, caused by water being shut off.

Anthony Carnilla, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Sanitary Division.

Peter Catizone, Jr., for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in East Boston Ferry.

Irma Davis, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Oakdale street.

Russell C. DeDoming, Jr., to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Louis Germano, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Sanitary Division.

Louis Germano, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Sanitary Division.

Hazel C. Gibbons, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 278A Tremont street.

Ray P. Gould, for compensation for injuries and damage to clothing caused by an alleged defect at 6 Beacon street.

Ida G. F. Hackett, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect on Montclair avenue.

Agnes L. Houghton, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Monastery Path.

Charles J. Jacobson, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Mrs. E. J. Kelley, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Washington street.

Eva Levine, for compensation for injuries and damage to property caused by an alleged defect at 1789 Commonwealth avenue.

Elizabeth Mulvey, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Iona street.

Jean Orlando, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Smith street.

Maurice M. Osborne, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in digging for leak in water pipe at 367 Beacon street.

Eric G. Piper, for compensation for damage to property at 132 Sutherland road, caused by backing up of sewage.

John J. Roust, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Evelyn C. Smith, for compensation for damage to fur cape in Paul Revere House.

Executive.

Petition of Natalie Johnson to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John H. Johnson, late member of the Fire Department.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notices were received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearings to be held as follows:

Petition of New England Telephone & Telegraph Company for permission to make rates and charges effective on less than statutory notice, to be held April 24 at 10 A.M.

Petition of John Almeida for approval of transfer of certificates and license to Almeida's Bus Lines, Inc., to be held April 16 at 2.15 P.M.

Investigation by the department upon its own motion as to rates and charges stated in M.D.P.U. No. 10, filed on March 19, 1951, to become effective April 21, by Vermont Transit Company, Inc., to be held May 7, at Town Hall, Greenfield, Mass.

Petition of I. N. Doe and W. H. Clifford, agents, for and on behalf of railroads for authority to increase freight rates and charges including certain charges in connection with passenger service on less than statutory notice of thirty days.

Investigation by the department upon its own motion as to rates and charges stated in M.D.P.U. No. 6, filed on March 27, to become effective May 1, by Middlesex & Boston Street Railway Company, to be held May 8 at 10 A.M.

Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. KINSELLA, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Boston American League Baseball Company (referred March 19) for license for Sunday sports at Fenway Park—recommending that license be granted.

Report on petition of National League Baseball Club of Boston, Inc. (referred March 26),

for license for Sunday sports at Braves Field—recommending that license be granted.

The reports were accepted, and said licenses granted on usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF BONDS.

The indemnity bonds of the Boston American League Baseball Company and the National League Baseball Club of Boston, Inc., were submitted and approved by the Council.

SUNDAY BUS SERVICE BETWEEN EGLESTON SQUARE AND ARBORWAY.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the MTA be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to operate bus service between Egleston square and the Arborway on Sunday morning for the convenience of churchgoers.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Coun. BRYAN in the chair.

DEATH OF A. FRANCIS O'TOOLE.

Coun. BRYAN and LANE offered the following:

Whereas, A. Francis O'Toole has been employed in the service of the City of Boston since 1939 as a member of the Board of Appeal; and

Whereas, A. Francis O'Toole has served all citizens and interests of the City of Boston most faithfully and diligently during the long period of his career; and

Whereas, The untimely death of Mr. O'Toole on April 8, 1951, is mourned as an irreplaceable loss to the citizens of Boston; therefore be it

Resolved, That a plaque commemorating his memory, suitably inscribed, be placed in the Hearing Room of the Board of Appeal.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

ROPING OFF PORTION OF ELIOT SQUARE AND DUDLEY STREET.

Coun. SULLIVAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be, and he hereby is, authorized to rope off a section of John Eliot square and Dudley street, in front of the Norfolk House Center, between the hours of 8.30 and 11.30 A.M. on Thursday, April 19, in connection with the three-mile novice race and the services held at the Norfolk House Center in memory of William Dawes, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Ropes, Flags, and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PARKMAN FUND.

Coun. LANE, for the Committee on Parkman Fund, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for appropriation of $49,000 from income of Parkman Fund, to be expended under direction of the Park Commissioners—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Cantwell, Farin, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—15.

Nays—0.

REPLACING OF SIDEWALK ON MORTON STREET.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the sidewalk on Morton street, at the corner of Pleasant Hill avenue, going towards Washington street, Ward 17.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PLACING OF "SLOW" SIGN ON MORTON STREET, WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to paint "Slow" on the roadway at the corner of Morton street, Old Morton street, and Pleasant Hill avenue, Ward 17.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

DOCTORS' BILLS FOR OLD AGE ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS.

Coun. KINSELLA offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to consult with the Overseers of Public Welfare in Boston for the purpose of improving and speeding up the manner of payment of doctors' bills to recipients of Old Age Assistance.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

UNUSED STREETCAR RAILS IN CHARLESTOWN.

Coun. KINSELLA offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to consult with the MTA regarding the possibility of covering or removing the unused streetcar rails on Bunker Hill street and on Chelsea street, Charlestown.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF INTERSECTION IN HONOR OF LOUIS C. EPSTEIN.

Coun. YERXA offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the intersection of Dartmouth and Newbury streets, Boston, in honor of Louis C. Epstein, a veteran of World War II, who lost his life in the European theater of operations while in the service of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Chase the Council voted to take a recess at 2.45 P.M. The members reassembled and were called to order at 3 P.M. by Chairman BRYAN.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition of Margaret E. Carlson (referred December 18, 1950) to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Harry G. Carlson, late member of Police Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500)

be allowed and paid to Margaret E. Carlson, widow of Harry G. Carlson, a member of the Police Department who died on October 16, 1950, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty, said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor and to be charged to the appropriation for Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on resolution (referred April 2) protesting against exemption of certain college students from selective service—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

3. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred April 2) that the Superintendent of Printing be authorized to print 125,000 copies of folder entitled "Calendar of Events in Boston, Spring-Summer, 1951"—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

4. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred April 2) for retirement and cancellation of traffic tunnel bonds—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Farin, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler—16.

Nays—0.

President HURLEY in the chair.

ENTRANCE INTO COUNCIL CHAMBER DURING INVOCATION.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be requested to see to it that no one enters or leaves the City Council Chamber during the invocation.

Referred to Committee on Rules.

LOUD-SPEAKER AT MARINE PARK BANDSTAND.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a loud-speaker on the bandstand at Marine Park. This is the fourth request for same over a period of three years.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

BALL FIELD AT AQUARIUM.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place the ball field at the Aquarium in proper condition by rolling, painting base lines, etc., so that it may be ready for immediate use.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

DRINKING FOUNTAINS IN SOUTH BOSTON.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Metropolitan District Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place all drinking fountains in the South Boston area in working condition and to repair all benches, as they are in a deplorable condition at the present time.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPLACING OF VETERAN'S SIGN, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately replace the veteran's sign at Joseph Vincent Doherty Square, at the junction of West Second, Emerson, and Dorchester streets, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

"STOP" SIGNS AT EAST SECOND AND I STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place "Stop" signs on East Second street, at the intersection of I street, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

"SLOW" SIGNS ON PAVEMENT OF CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have the word "Slow" painted on the roadway of streets that were marked last year in the South Boston area, particularly on East Second street, at I and K streets, and East Third street, at I and K streets, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

BACKSTOP ON AQUARIUM BASEBALL FIELD.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a backstop on the Aquarium baseball field.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

OPENING OF CONVENIENCE STATION, CASTLE ISLAND.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately open up the convenience station at Castle Island, South Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

UNDERPASS FROM HYDE PARK AVENUE TO WASHINGTON STREET.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to look into the matter of constructing an underpass connecting Hyde Park avenue with Washington street, Roslindale, in the vicinity of Claxton street, for the convenience of the parishioners of churches in the district.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PUBLIC LIBRARY CAFETERIA.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Boston Public Library Trustees regarding the cafeteria situation at the library, which doesn't pay anything for the space to the City of Boston; yet the city maintains it by cleaning the premises without any compensation.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

WASHROOM AND TOILET FACILITIES IN RESTAURANTS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

All restaurants in the City of Boston shall provide washroom and toilet facilities for both men and women patrons.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS, WARD 7.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace all gas lamps in Ward 7 with modern electric lights.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ADDITION OF NAME OF BROWNIE ABRAHAM TO VETERANS' MEMORIAL SIGN.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to add the name of Brownie Abraham, a lieutenant in the United States Army who was killed in Germany on March 6, 1949, to the sign containing the names of his two brothers, also deceased veterans, located at the corner of Milford street and Shawmut avenue, Ward 3.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INVESTIGATION BY KEFAUVER COMMITTEE.

Coun. WENZLER moved that the resolution (referred March 26) for an investigation of crime in Boston by the Kefauver Committee be recalled from the Committee on Rules.

The Chair ruled the motion out of order.

INSTALLATION OF BOULEVARD-TYPE LIGHT, 6 MILFORD STREET.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a boulevard-type light in front of 6 Milford street, Ward 3.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 3.25 P.M., on motion of Councilor Sullivan, to meet on Monday, April 16, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, April 16, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Hannon, Kinsella, McCormack, P. A. Tracy, and Yerxa.

Rabbi Benjamin Grossman of Congregation Beth Hamidrash Hagadol, Roxbury, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY RABBI BENJAMIN GROSSMAN.

Heavenly Father, in the spirit of Solomon of old, we pray unto Thee, give Thy servants of this City Council an understanding heart to judge Thy people to discern between good and evil. Give them vision and spiritual strength to influence those about them. Above all, give them inspiration to translate and bring into realization the highest ideals of American democracy. Show them the way of unity, harmony, and solidarity so essential and fundamental to our very existence.

In this critical moment, make us realize that we have one country, one Flag, and one Constitution, and that it is our sacred duty to have one people at all times.

Bless our glorious country with its high ideals of liberty, justice, and brotherhood. Bless all who are assembled here who labor for the best interests of our state, of our city, and for humanity. Bless the work of their hands at all times. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

CONSTABLES CONNECTED WITH OFFICIAL POSITIONS, ETC.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 16, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, I hereby appoint the following-named persons as constables of the City of Boston for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1951, not authorized to serve civil process and to serve without bond.

The commissions of all constables not named herein expire on April 30, 1951, and such constables are hereby removed from office from and after May 1, 1951, for the good of the service.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

CONSTABLES CONNECTED WITH OFFICIAL POSITIONS.

Harry A. Abrams, 52 Lindsey street, Ward 17.
Patrick Barrett, 202 South street, Ward 11.
Frank Bevilacqua, 172 Salem street, Ward 3.
Carl J. Brinkmann, 922 East Broadway, Ward 6.
Philip P. Bryan, 18 Alhambra road, Ward 20.
George A. Cantwell, 8 Mamelon Circle, Ward 18.
Daniel W. Carney, Jr., 705 Metropolitan avenue, Ward 18.
Joseph C. Coffey, 451 Meridian street, Ward 1.
William B. Connolly, 876 East Fourth street, Ward 6.
Frederick J. Corcoran, 32 Lenoxdale avenue, Ward 16.
Vito Dellaria, 185 Havre street, Ward 1.
Salvatore DiTavi, 429 Hanover street, Ward 3.
Joseph L. Duffley, 30 Algonquin street, Ward 17.
Francis P. Fitzgerald, 40 Richview street, Ward 16.
Cornelius T. Fitzpatrick, 345 Neponset avenue, Ward 16.
John F. Fleming, 424 East Sixth street, Ward 7.
Joseph F. Floccher, 47 Allen street, Ward 3.
Owen P. Flynn, 5 Sterling square, Ward 6.
John F. Geraghty, 36 Clarence street, Ward 8.
Robert T. Gilbody, 3 Ely road, Ward 16.
Leo G. Grappocio, 47 Auburn street, Ward 3.
Charles B. Gray, 14 Pleasant Hill avenue, Ward 17.
Thomas P. Hogan, 377 Dudley street, Ward 8.
Thomas A. Hughes, 129 Lexington street, Ward 1.
Timothy F. Keefe, 26 Torrey street, Ward 17.
Edward Kelliher, 7 Highland street, Ward 9.
Herbert F. Kenney, 123 Conant street, Ward 10.
Mitchell Kolsti, 4331 Washington street, Ward 20.
Louis J. Lanata, 44 Rexford street, Ward 18.
James B. MacInnis, 3 Monadnock street, Ward 13.
Timothy J. Madden, 38 Bexley road, Ward 19.
Harold J. Mahoney, 79 Orton-Marotta Way, Ward 6.
George A. Martin, 141 Arlington street, Ward 5.
Frank Martino, 2 Baldwin place, Ward 3.
Edward J. Masterman, 28 Harlem street, Ward 14.
Patrick J. McCarthy, 71 Clifton street, Ward 8.
Edwin J. McGowan, 51 M street, Ward 6.
Charles J. McGrath, 46 Columbia road, Ward 14.
John J. McManus, 191 Parsons street, Ward 22.
Arthur A. Montuori, 13 Corregidor street (Prince street), Ward 3.
Robert F. Morey, 278 Old Colony avenue, Ward 7.
James J. Murphy, 7 Myrtle place, Ward 12.
Alfred E. Natale, 11 Sheafe street, Ward 3.
Edward H. Nelligan, 1721 Commonwealth avenue, Ward 21.
George A. Nelson, 224 Bunker Hill street, Ward 2.
John F. O'Brien, 1156 Commonwealth avenue, Ward 21.
David I. O'Connor, 1617 Tremont street, Ward 10.
Alexander Pless, 71 Phillips street, Ward 5.
Joseph N. Radley, 660 Huntington avenue, Ward 10.
Louis Reppucci, 282 North street, Ward 3.
Harry Roberts, 182 West Canton street, Ward 4.
Barney Rubin, 320 Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14.
Joseph Russian, 320 Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14.
Francis X. Singleton, 109 Calumet street, Ward 10.
George Strait, 23 Harold street, Ward 12.
Louis Taylor, 38 Intervale street, Ward 12.
Thomas F. Walsh, 57 Mt. Ida road, Ward 15.
Chester K. Wickes, 699 Hyde Park avenue, Ward 18.
Francis J. Winnett, 43 High street, Ward 2.
George S. Zarthar, 40 West Newton street, Ward 9.

Supervisor of Licensed Minors.

Timothy F. Regan, 543 Boylston street, Ward 4.

Animal Rescue League.

Archibald MacDonald, 710 East Sixth street, Ward 6.

Massachusetts S.P.C.A.

Harry L. Allen, 180 Longwood avenue, Ward 4.

Van Drivers Appointed by the Court.

George H. Bradley, 205 Billings street, North Quincy.
Raymond F. Green, 496 Massachusetts avenue, Ward 9.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

REPAIR OF WASHINGTON STREET, FROM EGLESTON SQUARE TO FOREST HILLS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 16, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of March 12, 1951, requesting him to repair Washington street, from Egleston square to Forest Hills.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 9, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of March 12:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair Washington street, from Egleston square to Forest Hills; and be it further

"Ordered, That the Trustees of the MTA be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair their track area on Washington street, from Egleston square to Forest Hills, in accordance with the terms of their contract with the City of Boston."

The above-referenced section of Washington street is in a very poor condition and unquestionably should be resurfaced. However, to do this resurfacing work—with the streetcar line in operation—will double the cost. This additional cost was brought very forceably to my attention in connection with the one-mile section of Washington street that we intended to resurface between Forest Hills and Poplar street, in Roslindale. It was estimated that it would cost $185,000 to resurface the latter-referenced section of Washington street if the streetcar line was kept in operation; whereas, the cost would have been reduced to $85,000 if the streetcar line were abandoned, thereby permitting the resurfacing of the street by laying bituminous concrete over the existing roadway and track area. Therefore, I hesitate to completely resurface the section of Washington street, from Egleston square to Forest Hills, until the present streetcar line is abandoned.

I have discussed this matter with Mr. Dana of the MTA, and he cannot give me any definite date as to when streetcar operation will be discontinued on Washington street. It appears that the streetcars will continue to operate for at least the next two or three years. In the meantime, arrangements will be made to advertise contracts to provide for the relaying of the worst sections of the street, thereby effecting some improvement, but not the improvement that would be brought about if the entire roadway area, from Egleston square to Forest Hills, were completely resurfaced.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF GAS LAMPS ON SILVER STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 16, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of March 26, 1951, requesting the removal of all gas lamps on Silver street and G street, Ward 6, and replacing same with modern electric lights.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 9, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council on March 26:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove all gas lamps on Silver street, between Dorchester street and G street, Ward 6, and to replace same with modern electric lights."

If sufficient funds are available, it is the intention of the department to continue with our street lighting modernization program that was started last year, which provides for the eventual replacement — with electric street lights — of all existing gas lamps. The recent cut by the City Council of $75,000 in the street lighting budget unquestionably will require the curtailment of such a program.

You may be assured, however, that I shall give every consideration to complying with the provisions of the above-referenced order.

Respectfully yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF CEMENT SIDEWALKS ON H STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 16, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of April 2, 1951, requesting the installation of cement sidewalks on H street, from East Sixth to East First streets, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 10, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of H street, Ward 6, from East Sixth to East First streets, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the list of sidewalk installations to be given consideration during the current year.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

CLEANING OF STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 16, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of April 2, 1951, requesting that all streets be cleaned in the City of Boston from winter residue of dirt, etc.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 9, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of April 2:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to clean all streets in the City of Boston from winter residue of dirt, etc."

We have been engaged in a spring clean-up campaign of the streets of this city since the first week of March, and I am pleased to report that it is proceeding satisfactorily. Every available employee in the Sanitary Division and piece of equipment suitable for street cleaning is at work in an all-out effort to remove the winter residue of sand and dirt from the public streets of the city.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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PAINTING OF "SLOW" SIGNS ON MORTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 16, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of

April 9, 1951, requesting that "Slow" signs be painted on the roadway at the corner of Morton street, Old Morton street, and Pleasant Hill avenue, Ward 17.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
April 13, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 9, 1951, Requesting That "Slow" Be Painted on the Roadway at the Corner of Morton Street, Old Morton Street, and Pleasant Hill Avenue, Ward 17.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the above order, please be advised that as soon as our painters reach the Dorchester district these locations will be taken care of.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PAINTING OF "SLOW" SIGNS ON CERTAIN SOUTH BOSTON STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 16, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of April 9, 1951, requesting that the word "Slow" be painted on the roadway of streets that were marked last year in the South Boston area, particularly on East Second street at I street and K street, and East Third street at I street and K street, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
April 13, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 9, 1951, Requesting That the Word "Slow" Be Painted on the Roadway of Streets That Were Marked Last Year in the South Boston Area, Ward 6.

Dear Sir:

This painting will be taken care of as soon as our painters reach the South Boston district.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

BACKSTOP AT AQUARIUM BASEBALL FIELD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 16, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of April 9, 1951, requesting the installation of a backstop on the Aquarium baseball field.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, April 13, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office, with attached enclosure, City Council order dated April 9, requesting the installation of a backstop on the Aquarium baseball field.

This matter has been referred to the chief engineer, and arrangements will be made to construct the backstop.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

LOUD-SPEAKER ON MARINE PARK BANDSTAND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 16, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of April 9, 1951, requesting the installation of a loud-speaker on the bandstand at Marine Park. This is the fourth request for same over a period of three years.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, April 13, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office, with attached enclosure, City Council order dated April 9, requesting the installation of a loud-speaker on the bandstand at Marine Park.

Councilor Wenzler states that this is the fourth request for the same over a period of three years.

I desire to inform the councilor that for the past two years Marine Park has not been under the jurisdiction of this department, but has been the property of the M. D. C. of the Commonwealth, and any requests for improvements should be made to this Commission at 20 Somerset street.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

CONVENIENCE STATION AT CASTLE ISLAND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 16, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of April 9, 1951, requesting immediate opening up of the convenience station at Castle Island, South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, April 13, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of memo from your office, with attached enclosure, City Council order dated April 9, requesting that arrangements be made to open the convenience station at Castle Island.

Under the regular Park Department schedule arrangements are being made to open all the convenience stations, and the foreman of the South Boston district will be instructed to open up this station.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

AQUARIUM BALL FIELD IMPROVEMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 16, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of April 9, 1951, requesting that the ball field at the Aquarium be placed in proper condition, rolled, painted with base lines, etc., so that it may be ready for immediate use.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

—

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 13, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of memo from your office, with attached enclosure, City Council order dated

April 9, requesting that the Park Commission place the ball field at the Aquarium in proper condition by rolling, painting base lines, etc., so that it may be ready for immediate use.

In conformance with our regular spring schedule these matters will be taken care of.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

TELEVISION CHANNEL FOR NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 16, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I have been informed that the Federal Communications Commission in Washington is considering reservation of a television channel in various large cities for use by schools, educational institutions, and quasi-public civic and community organizations.

This station would, in short, be for noncommercial educational purposes. The Federal Communications Commission is anxious to have an expression of opinion by the communities involved in a possible television channel of this character. In that respect, I have written to presidents of various colleges in this community, to newspaper publishers, to educators, and to parent-teacher groups.

These replies are now coming into my office, and in every case there is extreme interest in the establishment of a noncommercial educational channel in this area.

It will, no doubt, have considerable weight with the Federal Communications Commission if the Boston City Council will also express its judgment in this matter.

I therefore send you herewith a resolution to which I most earnestly ask that your Honorable Body give prompt consideration and passage.

The time for the community expression of opinion in this matter is short, and for that reason I emphasize the desirability of prompt action.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, favor the proposed reservation in Boston of a television channel to be devoted to noncommercial educational purposes.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FROM CEMETERY FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

In the preparation of the 1951 budget, provision was made, as in previous years, that $60,000 of the maintenance expenses of the Cemetery Division of the Park Department should be charged against income of the Cemetery Fund. Before this income can be utilized, it is necessary that an appropriation be made.

I accordingly submit herewith, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 117 of the Acts of 1913, an order providing for the appropriation from the income of the Cemetery Fund in the sum of $60,000, the same to be utilized in meeting maintenance expenses of the Cemetery Division, and respectfully recommend adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 4, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners, you are respectfully asked to issue an order on the City Council that the sum of $60,000 be appropriated from the income of the General Cemetery Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commission for Cemetery Division maintenance and improvement.

This sum may be appropriated under the provisions of chapter 117 of the Acts of 1913.

When making up the budget estimates of the Cemetery Division for the year 1951, it was indicated that the amount of $60,000 could be deducted from the No. 100 Item (Permanent Employees) if permission was given to use $60,000 for maintenance and improvement of our cemeteries from the income of the General Cemetery Fund.

Respectfully yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY,
Chairman, Board of Park Commissioners.

Ordered, That under the provisions of chapter 117, Acts of 1913, the sum of sixty thousand dollars ($60,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated from the income of the Cemetery Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioner, for Cemetery Division maintenance and improvement.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 16, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Police Commissioner in which he requests an appropriation of $11,903 to permit the purchase of ten (10) motorcycles to be used by the Police Department in connection with the supervision of parking meters. Under the provisions of section 1 of chapter 442 of the Acts of 1947, revenue received from parking meter fees may be used to meet necessary expenses incurred for the regulation of parking and other traffic incidents thereto. Since proper supervision of the use of parking meters will assure a full return to the city of established parking meter fees, I submit herewith an order providing for the appropriation of the amount requested by the Police Commissioner and respectfully recommend its adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Police Department, April 13, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

When the budget was being considered, the Budget Commissioner eliminated the sum of $12,000 on the item for ten (10) motorcycles with sidecars attached. This was done on the basis that, as these vehicles were used in checking parking meters, the amount should be appropriated from that source.

Bids were publicly opened this day, and the lowest bid for supplying these motorcycles was $11,903.

I respectfully request that this amount be made available for their purchase.

Respectfully yours,
T. F. SULLIVAN, Police Commissioner.

Ordered, That the sum of $11,903 be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the revenue received from parking meter fees to be expended by the Police Commissioner for the purchase of motorcycles to be used in the supervision of the use of parking meters.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Gerald A. Albuquerque, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

James J. Barry, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sewer Division.

Max Berzon, for compensation for damage to property by car of School Committee.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Oscar Bjurstrom, for compensation for damage to property at 81 Baker street, West Roxbury, caused by defective sewerage system.

Helen S. Carlson, for compensation for damage to property at 160 Beacon street, Milton, caused by defective sewerage system of City of Boston.

Stamatos Deligianis, for compensation for injuries and damage to property by city car.

John L. Hammond, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Service.

Angie Laham, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 150 Harvard street.

Rose Levin, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1310 Blue Hill avenue.

Robert L. Norrish, for compensation for damage to property at 35 Badger road, Hyde Park, caused by sewer installation.

James M. Powers, for compensation for damage to car cause by an alleged defect in Bowdoin avenue.

A. Davis Risman, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Vito Salvo, for compensation for damage to hot water boiler at 60 Phillips street, caused by negligence of Water Department employees.

Ann Scannell, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 559 River street.

Frank G. Wallen, to be reimbursed for billiard license fee paid twice.

Executive.

Petition of Mary E. McKernan to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, William J. McKernan, late member of Fire Department.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

Petition for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement:

Edna Ava Johnson, Brown Hall, June 10.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES BY STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditure of $7,425,874 by Boston Housing Authority for various housing projects.

Placed on file.

CERTAIN EMPLOYEES IN LOW-RENT INCOME PROJECTS.

A communication was received from Senator Henry Cabot Lodge transmitting letter from Commissioner John Taylor Egan of the Public Housing Administration re dismissal of certain employees in low-income housing projects.

Placed on file.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notices of hearings to be held by the Department of Public Utilities were received as follows:

Hearing on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for approval and leave to construct relocation of double track in Blue Hill avenue, from and connecting with existing double track at Landor street to and connecting with existing double track south of Johnston road, and right-hand crossover in Blue Hill avenue, north of Johnston road, to be held April 23 at 2.45 P.M.

Hearing on petition of Boston Edison Company for locations for poles and wires to be owned jointly with New England Telephone & Telegraph Company in portions of boulevard under care and control of Metropolitan District Commission (Old Colony Parkway), to be held April 23 at 10 A.M.

Hearing on petition of Dump Truck Owners' Association re increase in hourly rates, etc., to be held May 2 at 2.15 P.M.

Severally placed on file.

TAKING BY STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Copy of order of taking was received from the State Department of Public Works of location for portion of proposed Boston Central Artery, extending from point south of fender pier of Warren Bridge drawspan northerly about 1,000 feet to limit of tide land on northeasterly side of Charles River.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF EDMUND G. WHITE.

Notice was received from the Mayor of appointment of Edmund G. White, 192 Faneuil street, Brighton, as deputy assessor (temporary) for term ending October 4, 1951.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Coun. CANTWELL, for the Committee on Finance, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred April 9) for loan of $2,000,000 for construction of public ways or permanent pavement —that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—17.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for fourteen days for final action.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred April 9) for loan of $1,000,000 for construction of sewers and for sewage disposal—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

Coun. SULLIVAN moved that the order be increased to $2,000,000. The motion was carried. The question came on giving the order for $2,000,000 its first reading and passage.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

The order for $2,000,000 was rejected (15 votes being required for passage), yeas 14, nays 2:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Cook, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—14.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Farin—2.

Voting Present—Councilor Cantwell—1.

On motion of Councilor Cantwell the foregoing vote was reconsidered.

Coun. CANTWELL moved to reduce the loan order to $1,000,000. The motion was carried.

The question then came on giving the loan order for $1,000,000 its first reading and passage. The order for $1,000,000 was rejected (15 votes being required for passage), yeas 14, nays 1:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler —14.

Nays—Councilor Coffey—1.

On motion of Councilor Hurley the foregoing vote was reconsidered.

On further motion of Councilor Hurley the order for loan of $1,000,000 was laid on the table.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred April 9) of Lawrence McGrath as Weigher of Goods—recomending that appointment be confirmed.

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred April 9) of Minor Officers paid by fees, as contained in City Document No. 44, for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Lanigan and Lane. Whole number of ballots 13, yeas 13, nays 0, and the appointments were confirmed.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF PHILIP S. CORBETT.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans he requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Wren street and Woodard road, West Roxbury, in honor of Lieut. Col. Philip S. Corbett, a veteran of World Wars I and II.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF GOULD STREET.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners he requested, through his Honor the Mayor to, accept, lay out, and construct Gould street, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GASOLINE STATIONS ON VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS PARKWAY.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners he instructed by his Honor the Mayor to issue no permits for gasoline stations on the Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, between Centre and Spring streets, or within one hundred (100) feet of this roadway in the West Roxbury and Roslindale section of Boston, and he it further

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested to take cognizance of the fact that this parkway was named the Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway to perpetuate the memory of all veterans, and it is the considered opinion of thousands of residents of this district that to commercialize this roadway would be a desecration of the memory of our deceased veterans and an insult to living veterans.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

DEATH OF HENRY GILLEN.

Coun. HURLEY, BRYAN, and CANTWELL offered the following:

Whereas, The sudden death of Henry Gillen, assistant city editor of the Boston Post, is mourned by all members of the City Council, by his legion of friends, and by the thousands of readers of the Post, who appreciate his long and brilliant career, his editorial writings of truth and fairness, his humble and modest behavior toward all with whom he came in contact, and his ready willingness to aid those in trouble, therefore, he it

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, desire to extend to the family of Henry Gillen their profound expression of sympathy and the hope that God will grant them an abundance of His graces to bear their heavy burden of sorrow.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

TEMPORARY LIBRARY AT 182 NEPONSET AVENUE.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Whereas, The Boston City Council is strongly opposed to any consideration being given to the closing of the temporary library now located at 182 Neponset avenue, Dorchester; and

Whereas, This library is a much-needed public facility in this particular section; therefore, be it

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Public Library Trustees for the purpose of preventing the closing of this branch library.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

JUNK YARD AT 148 TENEAN STREET.

Coun. HURLEY and BEADES offered the following:

Whereas, The application of Michael's Auto, Inc., for a Third-Class Used Car Dealer's license, which is also known as an automobile junk-yard license, is in direct opposition to the wishes of all residents and businessmen in this area, and

Whereas, The location of this contemplated junk yard is located at 148 Tenean street, Dorchester, immediately adjacent to the entrance of Tenean Beach, and

Whereas, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has recently appropriated a large sum of money for the improvement of this beach, and

Whereas, It is the united opinion of all residents of this locality that this junk yard will greatly deteriorate the district and its property values, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, oppose the granting of this junk-yard license, for the protection of the property values surrounding this location, the safety and health of the community, the preservation of a highly residential district, and the general good of all citizens who patronize the facilities of this splendid bathing beach, and be it further

Ordered, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Police Commissioner of the City of Boston.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

NIGHT PARKING IN SUBURBAN DISTRICTS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Whereas, Motorists are being continually tagged and are flooding the courts, paying one fine after another, for a misdemeanor consisting of parking their cars in front of their homes, having no garage facilities; and

Whereas, These motorists are carrying a good portion of the tax burden in the city; therefore, be it

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Traffic Commissioner, with a view to alleviating the restrictions on night street parking in suburban areas, due to the fact that there are no garage facilities for these cars.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CENSORING OF CERTAIN LITERATURE.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Corporation Counsel for the purpose of drafting whatever ordinances may be necessary for the appointment of an active Board of Censors to prohibit the sale of suggestive comic books and other lewd literature in the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING OF MONPONSET STREET.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Monponset street, Ward 18.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LOWER MILLS MEMORIAL POST V. F. W. SQUARE.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the section on Washington street, which borders property owned by Lower Mills Memorial Post No. 8699, Lower Mills Memorial Post V. F. W. Square, in honor of the deceased comrades of this Post.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SALE OF CERTAIN TYPEWRITERS AND SEWING MACHINES.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Overseers of Public Welfare Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to sell the sewing machines and typewriters, singularly, to the citizens of Boston, rather than large lots to private interests.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING OF ROGERS PARK TENNIS COURTS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface the tennis courts in Rogers Park in Brighton.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

USE OF TOWELS BY BARBERS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Registration of Barbers of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately study the advisability of eliminating the compulsion of the use of towels, instead of neck brushes, in the operation of barber shops in the City of Boston. The use of towels, in place of brushes, has provided more hardship to the barbers and has brought much criticism from their patrons.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT WASHINGTON STREET, GROVE HALL.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Traffic Commission to immediately study the advisability of placing traffic lights at Washington street, Grove Hall.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT HUNTINGTON AND LONGWOOD AVENUES.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to erect traffic lights at the intersection of Huntington and Longwood avenues, Ward 10.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CLOTHES-DRYING FACILITIES AT OLD HARBOR VILLAGE PROJECT.

Coun. McColgan offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install facilities for the drying of clothes outdoors at the Old Harbor Village Project.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INVITATION TO GENERAL DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to extend a cordial invitation to Gen. Douglas MacArthur to be the guest of the City of Boston during his present tour of the country.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REMOVAL OF GAS LAMP ON SILVER STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to move the gas lamp in front of the entrance to a two-car garage on Silver street, between G and Dorchester streets, Ward 6, to a location in the same immediate vicinity, because it now interferes with the use of said garage.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ARC LIGHTS ON SILVER STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install arc lights on Silver street, between F and Dorchester streets, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

STREET LIGHTING ON CONGRESS STREET.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be directed by his Honor the Mayor to promptly arrange for additional street lighting on Congress street, between Purchase street and 201 Congress street, Ward 3.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF GAETANO CARUSONE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Naming Squares be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the junction of Thorndike street and Harrison avenue in memory of S.C. 3/c Gaetano Carusone, who was lost at sea on March 3, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION RE LOAN FOR OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES.

On motion of Councilor Ansel the resolution (referred December 11, 1950) favoring legislation for authority to borrow money for off-street parking facilities was recalled from the Executive Committee. On motion of Councilor Shanley the resolution was recommitted to the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor F. P. Tracey the Council voted at 3.47 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 4.35 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. SULLIVAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition of Bent E. Benson (referred February 12) to be paid annuity on account of death of his son, William R. Benson, late member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of following order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of one thousand dollars be allowed and paid to Bent E. Benson, father of William R. Benson, a member of the Fire Department who died on September 23, 1950, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the

approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and resolutions (referred today) favoring establishment of television channel in Boston for noncommercial, educational purposes—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

On the following messages of the Mayor and orders and resolutions referred today the Executive Committee submitted reports recommending that the orders and resolution ought to pass, viz.:

Resolution favoring legislation to authorize the borrowing of money for off-street parking facilities.

Order appropriating $11,903 from parking meter fees.

Order appropriating $60,000 from income of Cemetery Fund.

Before any action was taken on the foregoing reports, Councilor Ramsey doubted the presence of a quorum. The roll was called with the following result:

Present—Councilors Ansel, Cook, Farin, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Sullivan, Wenzler —9.

Less than a quorum being present, the Chair delcared the meeting adjourned at 4.40 P.M., to meet on Monday, April 23, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, April 23, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Hannon.

Monsignor Charles N. Cunningham, Pastor of St. Paul's Catholic Church, Dorchester, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY MONSIGNOR CHARLES N. CUNNINGHAM.

Monsignor CUNNINGHAM. My dear honorable councilors, it is a great honor to address you this afternoon and to give the invocation at your meeting. As I observe very intently the need of help for all legislative bodies at this present time in a world filled with chaos, I can't help but have recourse to that prayer so well known to us all, a prayer that came from Almighty God Himself, given to us by His divine son, Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, with preliminary thoughts as these, we make the following expression of imploration:

O, Almighty God, Heavenly Father, Creator of the universe, infinite power, infinite wisdom, infinite light, infinite protector and guide, look down, we humbly beseech Thee, upon Thy children throughout the world, at the present time grievously burdened and truly distressed with the impending dangers of world war. Thy divine guidance and protection is sorely needed by almost all nations of the world. Deign to bless them with Thy divine comforting strength and fortitude. Bestow generously, we humbly implore Thee, upon their rulers and governing bodies an august ray of Thy infinite light to enable them to legislate with justice, honor, and mercy towards all men. Also, give to our honorable councilors assembled here to legislate for our good city salutary authority and that same light to enable them now, and at all times, to guide, guard, and protect the interests of almost a million constituents of our good city according to Thy divine will and providence, through Christ our Lord.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

RESOLUTION RE OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 23, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

On December 11, 1950, I submitted to your Honorable Body a resolution favoring authorization by the Legislature of a second $5,000,000 bond issue for off-street parking facilities. Under the rules of the Legislature, the authorization requested will not be considered until, and unless, the resolution is given approval by your Honorable Body.

On January 22, 1951, I directed a communication to your Honorable Body requesting affirmative action on the pending resolution.

I again request, most respectfully, that such action be taken. The legislative year is running out, and that Body is fast reaching the stage where only matters of state-wide importance remain for its consideration. It is, therefore, imperative that this matter of grave local concern be placed before the Legislature as quickly as possible.

I need not labor the argument for further off-street parking facilities. The necessity is apparent. The construction of such facilities at Winthrop square, at Post Office square, and in the vicinity of Park square, will exhaust the present authority of the city to construct parking facilities.

It is, in my opinion, a responsibility of the city government to provide such facilities. I, therefore, earnestly request that immediate action be taken on the resolution now pending before your Body. Further opportunity will be afforded your Body to consider this matter when acceptance of the Act is before you and when approval of the loan order is presented to you.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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USE OF TOWELS BY BARBERS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 23, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Registration of Barbers relative to your order of April 16, 1951, requesting the immediate study of the advisability of eliminating the compulsion of the use of towels instead of neck brushes in the operation of barber shops in the City of Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Board of Registration of Barbers,
April 20, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

The Board is in receipt of the interesting order recently passed by the City Council in which his Honor the Mayor is requested to ask this department to study the advisability "of eliminating the compulsion of the use of towels instead of neck brushes."

The Board gave this matter serious consideration before it was inserted in the Rules and Regulations which have been approved by the Department of Public Health of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The evidence in favor of the use of towels instead of neck brushes is so very apparent that the Board fails to see how any man patronizing a barber shop would prefer to have the surplus hair brushed from his neck by the use of those very unsanitary soft brushes with which barbers used to do this. Certainly any man should prefer the use of a freshly laundered towel for this purpose. Should a barber while using a brush fail to note a case of barber's itch—he could spread it like wildfire among all later customers. The use of the brush is especially obnoxious in hot weather, and there should be no question in anyone's mind about which is the most sanitary method of dealing with such a situation.

The only argument which has been presented to this Board in favor of the use of the brush is the expense of the clean towels and when one considers that the laundry services furnish clean towels at the rate of about one cent each, the expense certainly should not outweigh the sanitary conditions. The Board presents its arguments from the health standpoint because that was the primary consideration for which this rule was enacted. In support of the Board's standard, it will be found

that these brushes are outlawed in about 35 of the 48 states including all the states bordering on Massachusetts.

The Board feels that it would be violating its duty to the men who expect the best service under the most sanitary conditions in the barber shops of Massachusetts if it were to recommend to the Department of Public Health that it withdraw this regulation.

Yours truly,
LOUIS J. DEMPSEY, Chairman.

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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE MEDICAL PAYMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 23, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary to the Overseers of Public Welfare relative to your order of February 12, 1951, requesting that something be done to alleviate the congestion of non-payment of Old Age Assistance medical checks where some people have not received a check for medicine and medical care for as far back as six months and where this integration was supposed to alleviate this condition, it is now a very serious situation.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Overseers of Public Welfare,
April 20, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Attention of Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon.
Dear Sir:

The Overseers of the Public Welfare have received notification of the following order of the City Council, which was passed February 12, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Welfare Department and Old Age Assistance Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to do something to alleviate the congestion of nonpayment of Old Age Assistance medical checks where some people have not received a check for medicine and medical care for as far back as six months and where this integration was supposed to alleviate this condition, it is now a very serious situation."

May I state that due to integration and the change-over of offices, and also due to the fact that we feel we need more clerical and social work help to properly conduct the department, there have been delays in payment of medical bills.

We are trying our utmost to solve this problem by increased endeavor on the part of all.

Sincerely yours,
WILLIAM G. O'HARE, Secretary.

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ANONYMOUS LETTERS RECEIVED BY SOCIAL WELFARE VISITORS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 23, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary to the Overseers of the Public Welfare relative to your order of March 12, 1951, requesting a conference for the purpose of instructing social welfare visitors that they are henceforth to disregard all anonymous communications of any type that reflect upon the morale, or the integrity, of recipients of public welfare.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Overseers of Public Welfare,
April 21, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Attention of Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon.
Dear Sir:

The Overseers of the Public Welfare have received notification of the following order of the City Council, which was passed March 12, 1951:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Overseers of Public Welfare for the purpose of instructing social welfare visitors that they are henceforth to disregard all anonymous communications of any type that reflect upon the morale, or the integrity, of recipients of public welfare."

May I state that the Board of Overseers of the Public Welfare has instructed all workers to be most careful not to use any material that is to the detriment of a client, without careful factual consideration.

However, it is very important that we do clear all material concerning clients that we obtain for the proper conduct of the Welfare Department.

Sincerely yours,
WILLIAM G. O'HARE, Secretary.

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Coun. F. P. TRACEY in the chair.

SAYWARD STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 23, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of April 2, 1951, requesting that Sayward street, Ward 15, be made one way, from Columbia road to Bird street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
April 17, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated April 2, 1951, Requesting Sayward Street, Ward 15, Be Made One Way, from Columbia Road to Bird Street.
Dear Sir:

In reply to above Council order please be advised that at a meeting of this commission held on Thursday, April 12, 1951, it was voted to make Sayward street, Dorchester, one way, from Columbia road to Bird street.

This regulation will become effective on May 7, 1951, at which time the necessary signs will be erected.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

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"STOP" SIGNS ON EAST SECOND STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 23, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of April 9, 1951, requesting the placement of "Stop" signs on East Second street, at the intersection of I street, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
April 16, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the order of the Boston City Council on April 9, 1951, requesting that a "Stop" sign be placed on East Second street, at the intersection of I street, Ward 6, I wish to report that in the opinion of our engineers the traffic volume and the accident frequency does not warrant making I street a "Stop" street at this time.

The State Department of Public Works' approval, which is required in the establishment of "Stop" streets, outlines certain requirements for an intersection to qualify.

Generally, "Stop" signs are placed at streets approaching a through way and the use of "Stop" signs in locations which are used by purely local traffic is not encouraged by safety authorities. For that reason this commission is endeavoring to cooperate with the State plan and safety officials in discouraging the location of "Stop" signs at miscellaneous intersections which are not connected with any general traffic plan of through streets or "Stop" streets.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

SIDEWALK ON MORTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 23, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith commnnication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of April 9, 1951, requesting the replacement of the sidewalk on Morton street, at the corner of Pleasant Hill avenue, going towards Washington street, Ward 17.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 17, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk on Morton street, at the corner of Pleasant Hill avenue, going towards Washington street, Ward 17, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the list of streets for the installation of granolithic sidewalks to be given consideration during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPLACEMENT OF GAS LAMPS, WARD 7.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 23, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of April 9. 1951, requesting the replacement of all gas lamps in Ward 7 with modern electric lights.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 17, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

I am returning order that was passed in the City Council under date of April 9:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace all gas lamps in Ward 7 with modern electric lights."

At the present time, we are in the midst of a program which provides for the eventual elimination of all gas lamps from the streets of this city. However, for the present, the removal is being restricted to gas lamps on those streets where the Boston Edison Company has overhead facilities to provide for street illumination by means of electric lights. Before the end of the current year, we plan to have all gas lamps removed in all streets where the Edison overhead facilities are available. In connection with the carrying out of this program, we will give just as much consideration to Ward 7 as to the other 21 wards in the city.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 23, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Under date of April 2, 1951, I received two recommendations from the School Committee setting forth that the budget of $22,770,058.37 which had been adopted by the committee under even date for the maintenance of the Boston public schools for the fiscal year 1951 was short by $1,293,925.42 of the amount considered necessary by the committee to carry out the needs of the School Department for the current year. In accordance with the provisions of law governing school appropriations, the committee requested that I recommend to your Honorable Body the additional appropriations deemed necessary for general school purposes.

Following a survey of the School Committee requests, I have decided to limit my recommendations for additional appropriations for school purposes to the amount set forth in my message to the Council on February 5, namely, $1,000,000, which amount was subsequently approved by your Honorable Body. This amount has been broken down in the attached appropriation order to the several divisions under which appropriations in the school budget are made. It is estimated, however, that the actual use of the additional appropriations will be as follows:

General increase for teachers and members of the supervising staff from September 1, 1951, and for all other permanent employees from June 1 if paid on a monthly basis; from June 6 if paid on a weekly basis, $475,000.

1951 cost of $204 increase granted teachers as of September 1, 1950, $400,000.

Cost of additional custodians required under statutory 40-hour-work week, $125,000.

I feel that the amounts set forth are required to permit proper operation of the school system during 1951. I, therefore, respectfully recommend adoption of the accompanying appropriation order.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That the respective sums of money specified in the schedules hereinafter set out be, and hereby are, appropriated for school purposes in addition to appropriations previ-

ously voted by the School Committee; said sums to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders heretofore or hereafter passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

Administration	$41,617
Instruction	755,258
Auxiliary Services	41,475
Operation of Plant	161,650
Total	$1,000,000

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

Johan M. Andersen, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Congress Street Bridge.

Richard Athos, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 476 Columbus avenue.

Gertrude M. Benner, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Dartmouth street.

Mrs. James J. Colbert, for compensation for damage to property at 16 Arborough road, caused by backing up of sewage.

William Connors, for compensation for injuries caused by patrol wagon.

Bessie Demetroulis, for compensation for damage to property at 21 Jeffers street, Roslindale.

Sylvester J. Devine, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Lowell street.

Antonio Fabrizio, to be reimbursed for release of water lien on property at 192 Paris street, East Boston.

William J. Fitzgerald, for compensation for loss of false teeth while patient at City Hospital.

Edward J. Grady, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Hub Cash & Carry Grocery, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 167 Shawmut avenue, caused by water damage.

Emmett S. Ingersoll, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John J. Jennings, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Christina Johnson, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 3096 Washington street.

William F. McGoldrick, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Fire Department.

George Norris, for compensation for damage to property at 1136 Blue Hill avenue, caused by water damage.

Catherine O'Leary, for compensation for damage to property at 289 West Fifth street, South Boston, by falling tree.

Josephine Peppino, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Gove street, East Boston.

Vito Rallo, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect on East Boston Ferry.

William C. Rooney, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Leo A. Ryan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Evelyn V. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by an alleged defect in office at Boston Traffic Commission.

Robert E. Sundin, for compensation for damage to car by patrol wagon.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

Petition of Maria Paporello for children under 15 years of age to appear at Jordan Hall, June 1.

Permit granted under usual condition.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES BY STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditure by Boston Housing Authority of $1,850 for purpose of making surveys and wash borings at Chapter 372 Veterans' Housing Project, Morton street and Lennoco road, Jamaica Plain.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditure by the Boston Housing Authority in amount of $115,266 on multiple dwellings and $195,649 on one- and two-family dwellings, for operating expense and reserves for fiscal year ending December 31, 1951.

Severally placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held May 7, at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate motor vehicles over certain streets in East Boston.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FROM INCOME OF CEMETERY FUND.

Chairman TRACEY called up, under unfinished business, No. 2 on the calendar, viz.:

2. Order for appropriation of $60,000 from the income of the Cemetery Fund.

On April 16, 1951, the Executive Committee reported that the order ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 19, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—19.

Nays—0.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SEWERS, ETC.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan, the Council voted to take from the table No. 4 on the calendar, viz.:

4. Order for loan of $1,000,000 for construction of sewers and for sewage disposal.

Coun. SULLIVAN moved that the order be amended by increasing it to $1,900,000. The amendment was carried. The question came on giving the loan order as amended for $1,900,000 its first reading and passage. The order for $1,900,000 was rejected (15 votes being required for passage), yeas 12, nays 5:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Cook, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—12.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Chase, Farin, Lanigan, P. A. Tracy—5.

Voting Present—Councilor Yerxa—1.

On motion of Councilor Sullivan the foregoing vote was reconsidered, yeas 12, nays 7:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Cook, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—12.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Cantwell, Chase, Farin, Lanigan, P. A. Tracy, Yerxa—7.

On motion of Councilor Hurley the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Chair called up under unfinished business No. 3 on the calendar, viz.:

3. Order for appropriation of $11,903 from revenue of parking meter fees for Police Commissioner for purchase of motorcycles.

On April 16, 1951, the Executive Committee reported that the order ought to pass.

The report of the committee was accepted, and the question came on the passage of the order. On motion of Councilor Ramsey the order was referred to the Executive Committee, yeas 12, nays 4:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Farin, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Sullivan, P. A. Tracy, Yerxa—12.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Cook, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—4.

Voting Present—Councilor Kinsella—1.

RESOLUTION RE OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES.

The Chair called up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the calendar, viz.:

1. Resolution favoring legislation to authorize the borrowing of money for off-street parking facilities.

On April 16, 1951, the Executive Committee reported that the resolution ought to be adopted.

Coun. SHANLEY in the chair.

The report of the committee was accepted. The question then came on the adoption of the resolution, and the resolution was adopted, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.

Nays—0.

Voting Present—Councilors Ramsey, Farin—2.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. CANTWELL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred April 2) of Steve A. Brown, Frank J. Marchese, Victor J. Ferris as Weighers of Goods for term ending April 30, 1951—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred April 2) of Rudolph J. Martikke as Weigher of Coal for term ending April 30, 1951—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Lanigan and Cantwell. Whole number of ballots 16, yeas 15, nay 1, and the appointments were confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. McCOLGAN, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Edward R. Brosemer (referred February 19) for reimbursement as a result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of sixteen dollars and thirty-three cents ($16.33) be allowed and paid to Edward R. Brosemer in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of Archie Andrews (referred April 2) for reimbusement as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two hundred seventy-five dollars and twenty-five cents ($275.25) be allowed and paid to Archie Andrews in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of Edward Ambrogne (referred March 19) for reimbursement as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two hundred forty-four dollars and forty cents ($244.40) be allowed and paid to Edward Ambrogne in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON G STREET.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on that part of G street, Ward 7, which has not been completed.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RELIEF OF TRAFFIC CONGESTION AT ANDREW SQUARE.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to take immediate steps to relieve temporarily the traffic congestion at Andrew square, that is, until such time as the State Department of Public Works can start work on its overpass or underpass at this location.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

FOOT WALK AT BLAKE HOUSE, DORCHESTER.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to construct a foot walk through its property at the Blake House in Dorchester, from East Cottage street to the junction of Pond street and Columbia road, Ward 7, so that persons going to and coming from church and school may be better able to travel through this area.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ARC LIGHTS ON DORCHESTER STREET.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install modern arc lights on Dor-

chester street, South Boston, this being a heavily travelled and poorly lighted street.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING OF SIDEWALKS, DALE STREET.

Coun. COOK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface the sidewalks on Dale street, in Roxbury, Ward 12.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECONSTRUCTION OF CAMBRIDGE AND WASHINGTON STREETS, BRIGHTON.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, Through his Honor the Mayor, to direct the Public Works Commissioner to contact the chief engineer of the State Department of Public Works for a conference relative to expediting the road program for reconstruction of Cambridge street and Washington street in Brighton, under the acts of chapter 90, so that work may start in the very near future.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

HACKNEY CARRIAGE LICENSES.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
City of Boston.
In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-one.
An Ordinance Concerning Hackney Carriage Licenses.
Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:
Any person operating a hackney carriage or other vehicle not licensed by the City of Boston shall be prohibited from soliciting and/or picking up passengers for hire within the limits of the City of Boston.
Whoever, operating a hackney carriage or other vehicle not licensed by the City of Boston, solicits and/or picks up passengers for hire within the limits of the City of Boston, shall forfeit twenty-five dollars for every such offense.
Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

PARKING ON ONE SIDE OF STREETS IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request that a hearing be held by the Traffic Commission relative to authorization for parking on one side of the street in residential areas.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

Coun. BRYAN in the chair.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT PARK AND WASHINGTON STREETS, WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have traffic lights put on the corner of Park street and Washington street, Dorchester, Ward 17.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ARC LIGHT OPPOSITE 137 PETERBOROUGH STREET.

Coun. LANE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the present antiquated light opposite 137 Peterborough street, Ward 21, with a new modern arc light.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF PHILIP S. CORBETT.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Wren and Martin streets, Ward 20, in honor of Lieut.-Col. Philip S. Corbett, a veteran of World Wars I and II.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

SPEEDY CONSTRUCTION OF NEW PLAYGROUNDS, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to take immediate steps to lay out and construct the new playground on Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, bounded by Bruce street and Russett road, Ward 20.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF PLAYGROUND IN HONOR OF HENRY GILLEN.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the new playground on Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, bounded by Bruce street and Russett road, Ward 20, in honor of the late Henry Gillen, a veteran of World War I, in recognition of his many years of activity in bringing happiness and pleasure into the lives of thousands of children throughout our city and state.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

VETERANS' RECRUITING WEEK.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to set aside the week of June 17 as "Veterans' Recruiting Week," for the purpose of aiding the various veterans' organizations in their membership drive, and that the facilities of the Public Celebrations Department be utilized to assist in this work.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

EXTENSION OF BARRY PLAYGROUND.

Coun. KINSELLA offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Chairman of the Park Commission relative to the possibility and practicability of acquiring the property of the Glendale Coal Company, Medford street, Ward 2, for the extension of the Barry Playground.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPLACING OF FLAGPOLE, CITY POINT.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Metropolitan District Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the flagpole that was taken down at City Point, in front of the bathhouse.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ROLLING OF GROUNDS AT MARINE PARK.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to turn over and roll the grounds at Marine Park so that they will be in proper condition for baseball.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SUBSCRIPTION TO ALL LOCAL WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized to subscribe for all the local weekly newspapers and to keep same on file for the use of the members of the City Council.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ARC LIGHT ON H STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an arc light on H street, between East Third street and Broadway, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CEMENT SIDEWALKS ON PETERS STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install cement sidewalks on Peters street, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INVITATION TO GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to extend a cordial invitation to General Douglas MacArthur to be the guest of the City of Boston during his present tour of the country.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor McColgan the Council voted to take a recess at 4.13 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Councilor Bryan at 4.58 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) that $11,903 be appropriated from revenue received from parking meter fees to be expended by the Police Commissioner for purchase of motorcycles to be used in the supervision of use of parking meters—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the question came on the passage of the order, and the order was passed, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—16.

Nays—0.

2. Report on order for loan of $1,900,000 for sewer construction (referred today)—that same ought to pass.

The question came on the passage of the order. Councilor Hurley moved that the matter lie on the table for one week. The motion to lay on the table for a week was carried, yeas 12, nays 4:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Cantwell, Cook, Hurley, Kinsella, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—12.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Chase, Farin, Lanigan—4.

REPAIR OF SIDEWALKS ON PORTION OF WASHINGTON STREET.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor instruct the Public Works Commissioner to repair the sidewalks on Washington street, Jamaica Plain, between Egleston square and Forest Hills.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

APPEARANCE OF REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONERS BEFORE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Real Estate Commissioners be requested to appear before the Executive Committee at its next meeting in reference to off-street parking in the suburban limits of the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 5.03 P.M., on motion of Councilor Farin, to meet on Monday, April 30, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, April 30, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Hannon.

Rabbi Hyman J. Routtenberg of Congregation Agudath Israel, Dorchester, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY RABBI HYMAN J. ROUTTENBERG.

O Sovereign Ruler of the universe in Whose hands rests the destiny of men, look down from Thy holy habitation on our beloved country and in Thy mercy guide it and preserve it in safety and happiness. Vouchsafe for it all manner of good. Give it of Thy bounty the dew of heaven and of the fullness of the earth. Give us the purpose to dwell in harmony and in peace with one another and to keep one another's well-being for the good of their common land. Make our country ever loyal to those sublime principals of liberty of thought, of conscience of action, with which it so bravely began its career as a nation.

We beseech Thee, O Lord our God, despite the darkness of our earth, to illiminate our souls with Thy light and Thy truth. Kindle our hearts with a spark of Thy divine love so that we may fulfill Thy sacred will to bring about our salvation by sympathy, good will, and peace among all the nations of the earth.

Bestow Thy blessings upon the members of the City Council of our beloved City of Boston, upon its Mayor, and all its constituted authorities. Be with them. Direct and guide them in their counsels and undertakings. Grant them the gift of unbending rectitude and wise-hearted statesmanship, that they advance the welfare of our metropolis and always uphold her honor, safeguarding the well-being and happiness of our citizentry. Instruct them in Thy law that they may administer the affairs of our municipality in justice and in equity, so that peace, security, happiness, and prosperity may forever abide in our midst. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Weighers of Goods for term ending April 30, 1952:

Edward V. Keenan, 44 Cheever street, Milton; Herbert T. Richard, 29 Corbet street, Dorchester; Albert Laeroix, 153 River street, Mattapan; Lawrence J. Baird, 6 Hopkins place, Mattapan; Norman M. Harris, 165 Arborway Drive, Braintree; Josiah R. Dyer, 17 Elmore street, Roxbury.

Weighers of Coal for term ending April 30, 1952: Ralph G. Magin, 291 Commonwealth avenue, Boston; George E. Lewis, 86 Flint street, Somerville; Margaret Toner, 39 Rockdale street, Mattapan; Charles C. Raftell, 142 Lawrence road, Medford.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

ASSIGNMENT OF NUMBERS TO CANDIDATES ON ELECTION BALLOT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Election Commissioner relative to your order of March 19, 1951, requesting the assignment of numbers on the forthcoming ballot in the Fall election to the various candidates, so that each candidate will have a number beside his name, signifying his position on the ballot.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Election Department, April 25, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Council order passed March 19, 1951, and reading as follows has been received:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Board of Election Commissioners to assign numbers on the forthcoming ballot in the Fall election to the various candidates so that each candidate will have a number beside his name signifying his position on the ballot."

This is to advise you that on Wednesday, April 18, 1951, I appeared at the State House before the Committee on Cities and made this recommendation. This meeting was being held to hear Senate Bill No. 610 which is an act to amend, revise, and clarify certain sections of the act which provides the Plan A form of government in the City of Boston. I felt that this was the opportune time to make such recommendation.

Very truly yours,
Board of Election Commissioners,
JOSEPH RUSSO, Chairman.

Placed on file.

LEASE OF PROPERTY AT 14 ELMWOOD STREET, ROXBURY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners relative to your order of April 2, 1951, requesting the lease for $1 per year of city-owned property located at 14 Elmwood street, Roxbury, to the Metropolitan Post, American Veterans of World War II.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Real Estate Commission, April 25, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Re: City Council Order of April 2, 1951, Requesting the Lease for $1 Per Year of City-Owned Property Located at 14 Elmwood Street, Roxbury, to the Metropolitan Post, American Veterans of World War II.
Dear Sir:

In accordance with the City Council order of April 2, 1951, the Board of Real Estate Commissioners unanimously voted to lease the above-described property to the Metropolitan Post, American Veterans of World War II, for a period of five years, at a charge of one dollar ($1) per year, subject to the approval of his Honor the Mayor.

Very truly yours,
HERMAN CARP, Chairman.

Placed on file.

FOOTWALK AT BLAKE HOUSE, DORCHESTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting the construction of a footwalk through Park Department property at Blake House in Dorchester, from East Cottage street to the junction of Pond street and Columbia road, Ward 7, so that persons going to and coming from school may be better able to travel through this area.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 27, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order dated April 23, requesting the construction of a footwalk through Park Department property at the Blake House in Dorchester, from East Cottage street to the junction of Pond street and Columbia road, so that persons going to and coming from church and school may be better able to travel through this area.

I am arranging for an immediate investigation by the chief engineer to ascertain whether it will be possible to comply with Councilor McColgan's request.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

EXTENSION OF BARRY PLAYGROUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting a conference relative to the possibility and practicability of acquiring the property of the Glendale Coal Company, Medford street, Ward 2, for the extension of the Barry Playground.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, April 26, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office, with attached enclosure, City Council order dated April 23, requesting a conference relative to the possibility and practicability of acquiring the property of the Glendale Coal Company, Medford street, Ward 2, for the extension of the Barry Playground.

An investigation of this area will be made by the chief engineer, and the matter will receive our consideration.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ROLLING OF GROUNDS AT MARINE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting that the grounds at Marine Park be turned over and rolled so that they will be in proper condition for baseball.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, April 27, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office, with attached enclosure, City Council order dated April 23, requesting that the Park Department turn over and roll the grounds at Marine Park so that they will be in proper condition for baseball.

This matter was referred to us before in a previous order by Councilor Wenzler, and the deputy commissioner is arranging to take care of the request.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

SPEEDY CONSTRUCTION OF NEW PLAYGROUND, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting that immediate steps be taken to lay out and construct the new playground on Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, bounded by Bruce street and Russett road, Ward 20.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, April 27, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office, with attached enclosure, City Council order dated April 23, requesting that immediate steps be taken to lay out and construct the new playground on Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, bounded by Bruce street and Russett Road, Ward 20.

As of the present moment all of the property at this location is not as yet in the custody of the Park Department. Some of the area is coming through the John Hancock Insurance Company, and other parts are owned privately. We have no money within our budget at the present time for the development of such a large area.

We have it under consideration for future development, and if and when the funds are appropriated and we have acquired full title to the property, we will be glad to consider the development of it as a playground.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF PLAYGROUND IN HONOR OF HENRY GILLEN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting the naming of the new playground on Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, bounded by Bruce street and Russett road, Ward 20, in honor of the late Henry Gillen, a veteran of World War I, in recognition of his many years of activity in bringing happiness and pleasure into the lives of thousands of children throughout our city and state.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, April 27, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order dated April 23, requesting the naming of the new playground on Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, bounded by Bruce street and Russett road, Ward 20, in honor of the late Henry Gillen, a veteran of World War I, in recognition of his many years of activity in bringing happiness and pleasure into the lives of thousands of children throughout our city and state.

We will be pleased here in the Park Department to give this request every consideration, but until such time as we have full title to all of the property, and it has been developed in a satisfactory manner, it would not be proper to name the area.

However, we have taken due recognition of the order of Councilor Bryan, and we will record it on the records of the Park Commission that the first request for the naming of this area is for the late Henry Gillen.

You may be sure that this request will receive every consideration.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF SHERMAN STREET, WARD 19.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of March 5, 1951, requesting the acceptance, laying out, and construction of Sherman street, from Hawthorne to Poplar streets, Ward 19, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
April 24, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated March 5, 1951:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Sherman street, from Hawthorne to Poplar streets, Ward 19, as a public highway.

Because of a heavy backlog of engineering work, we are forced, at the present time, to defer consideration for the laying out, construction, and acceptance of the above street as a public way.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF HAWTHORNE STREET, WARD 19.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of March 5, 1951, requesting the acceptance, laying out, and construction of Hawthorne street, from Heatheote street to dead end, Ward 19, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
April 24, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated March 5, 1951:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out and construct Hawthorne street, from Heatheote street to dead end, Ward 19, as a public way.

Because of a heavy backlog of engineering work, we are forced, at the present time, to defer consideration for the laying out, construction, and acceptance of the above street as a public way.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF SHAW STREET, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of March 12, 1951, requesting the acceptance, laying out, and construction of Shaw street, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
April 24, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated March 12, 1951:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out and construct Shaw street, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Because of a heavy backlog of engineering work, we are forced, at the present time, to defer consideration for the laying out, construction, and acceptance of the above street as a public way.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF BADGER ROAD, WARD 18.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of March 12, 1951, requesting the acceptance, laying out and construction of Badger road, Ward 18, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
April 24, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated March 12, 1951:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out and construct Badger road, Ward 18, as a public highway.

This street will be included in our current program for laying out and acceptance.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF GOULD STREET, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of April 16, 1951, requesting the acceptance, laying out and construction of Gould street, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
April 23, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated April 16, 1951:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Gould street, Ward 20, as a public highway.

This street will be included in our current program for laying out and acceptance.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF PHILIP S. CORBETT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary to the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting the naming of the square at the corner of Wren and Martin streets, Ward 20, in honor of Lieut. Col. Philip S. Corbett, a veteran of World Wars I and II.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
April 26, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, receipt of your letter of April 25, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councilor Bryan, requesting the naming of the square at the corner of Wren and Martin streets, Ward 20, in honor of Lieut. Col. Philip S. Corbett.

I beg to advise that the next meeting of the committee will be held on May 3, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. Costello, Secretary.

Placed on file.

REPLACEMENT OF VETERAN'S SIGN AT JOSEPH VINCENT DOHERTY SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of April 9, 1951, requesting the immediate replacement of the veteran's sign at Joseph Vincent Doherty Square, at the junction of West Second, Emerson, and Dorchester streets, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 24, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works immediately replace the veteran's sign at Joseph Vincent Doherty Square, at the junction of West Second, Emerson, and Dorchester streets, Ward 6, and this will advise you that a new hero square sign has been installed at this location under date of April 24, 1951.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

UNDERPASS FROM HYDE PARK AVENUE TO WASHINGTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of April 9, 1951, requesting that the matter be looked into of constructing an underpass connecting Hyde Park avenue with Washington street, Roslindale, in the vicinity of Claxton street, for the convenience of the parishioners of churches in the district.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 26, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of April 9, 1951:

"Ordered, that the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to look into the matter of constructing an underpass connecting Hyde Park avenue with Washington street, Roslindale, in the vicinity of Claxton street, for the convenience of the parishioners of churches in the district."

I have had a conference concerning the above-referenced matter with Councilor McCormack and respresentatives of interested groups in the Forest Hills area. Arrangements have been made with the Boston Planning Board to have said Board and this department undertake a joint study of the feasibility and practicability of providing for the construction of the above-referenced underpass which will serve pedestrians only, as it is a physical impossibility to provide for a vehicular underpass in the above-referenced area.

It is our intention to keep Councilor McCormack informed of the progress of the above-referenced study, which we hope will be completed within the next five or six weeks.

Respectfully yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING OF MONPONSET STREET, WARD 18.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of April 16, 1951, requesting the resurfacing of Monponset street, Ward 18.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 20, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner resurface Monponset street, Ward 18, and this will advise you that this street will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the current year.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPAIR OF SIDEWALKS ON PORTION OF WASHINGTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting the repair of the sidewalks on Washington street, Jamaica Plain, between Egleston square and Forest Hills.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 27, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner repair the sidewalks on Washington street, Jamaica Plain, between Egleston square and Forest Hills, and this will

advise you that this work will be put on the sidewalk list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING OF SIDEWALKS ON DALE STREET, ROXBURY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Public Works Department relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting the resurfacing of the sidewalks on Dale street in Roxbury.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 27, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Department resurface the sidewalks on Dale street in Roxbury, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the sidewalk list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLANO,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

CEMENT SIDEWALKS ON PETERS STREET, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Public Works Department relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting the installation of cement sidewalks on Peters street, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JI B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 27, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install cement sidewalks on Peters street, Ward 6, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the sidewalk list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

NIGHT PARKING IN SUBURBAN DISTRICTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of April 16, 1951, requesting a conference with a view to alleviating the restrictions on night street parking in suburban areas, due to the fact that there are no garage facilities for these cars.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
April 23, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 16, 1951, Requesting That a Conference Be Held Between the Mayor and the Traffic Commissioner with a View to Alleviating the Restrictions on Night Street Parking in Suburban Areas, Due to the Fact That There Are No Garage Facilities for These Cars.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the above Council order I wish to report that I have discussed this subject with the Fire Commissioner and his Chief of Department and Deputy Chiefs.

This matter has been discussed at several meetings of this Commission, and no conclusion has been reached up to the present time.

An opinion has been requested from the Corporation Counsel to determine whether, in his opinion, it would be legal for us to make such rules and regulations as might be necessary to permit all-night parking on certain streets. We are awaiting this opinion before taking any action.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT WASHINGTON STREET AND GROVE HALL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of April 16, 1951, requesting the immediate study of the advisability of placing traffic lights at Washington street and Grove Hall.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
April 23, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 16, 1951, Requesting That a Study Be Made of the Advisability of Placing Traffic Lights at Washington Street and Grove Hall.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the above Council order I wish to report that a survey was made of this area and our engineers report that, because of the layout of the Grove Hall traffic pattern, traffic lights could not be effectively operated at this location.

An additional island was constructed at Grove Hall for the primary purpose of affording a safety point for pedestrians.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT HUNTINGTON AND LONGWOOD AVENUES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of April 16, 1951, requesting the erection of traffic lights at the intersection of Huntington and Longwood avenues, Ward 10.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
April 23, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated April 16, 1951, Requesting the Installation of Traffic Lights at the Intersection of Huntington and Longwood Avenues, Ward 10.

Dear Sir:

The intersection of Huntington and Longwood avenues is on a list of locations to be considered

for the installation of traffic signals as soon as money is made available for this purpose.

All of the funds now on hand have been committed to previously approved areas.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

RELIEF OF TRAFFIC CONGESTION AT ANDREW SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting that immediate steps be taken to relieve temporarily the traffic congestion at Andrew Square, until such time as the State Department of Public Works can start work on its overpass or underpass at this location.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
April 27, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order of April 23, 1951, Requesting that Immediate Steps Be Taken to Relieve Temporarily the Traffic Congestion at Andrew Square, Until Such Time As the State Department of Public Works Can Start Work On Its Overpass or Underpass at This Location.

Dear Sir:

The Traffic Commission has already sent to the Street Commission a proposal for the removal of the island at Andrew Square as a temporary relief to congestion until such time as a major improvement is obtained.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT PARK AND WASHINGTON STREETS, WARD 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting that traffic lights be put on the corner of Park street and Washington street, Dorchester, Ward 17.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
April 27, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In response to Council order of April 23, 1951, requesting that traffic lights be put on the corner of Park street and Washington street, in Dorchester, this matter has been under consideration for a considerable period of time, the original request being from City Councilor Farin.

A reply has been submitted to the Councilor under date of April 25, the same date as the Council order, reporting that after long consideration and study the installation of traffic lights at Park and Washington streets is not warranted at this time.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

EXCHANGE OF LANDS BETWEEN CITY AND GIUSEPPA SEMINARA.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 23, 1951.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen:

I enclose correspondence received from Lee M. Friedman, Vice President of the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston, relative to an exchange of lands between the City of Boston and Giuseppa Seminara at Delmont street, Dorchester, site of the newly established branch library in that district.

I enclose a form of order for adoption by your Honorable Body and recommend its early passage.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Library Department, March 27, 1951.

The Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Boston.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston held March 16, 1951, it was voted that a certain parcel of land shown as Parcel B and more fully described in said vote, a copy of which vote is hereto attached, held by the City of Boston for library purposes, is no longer required for any public purpose, and it was further voted at said meeting that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Boston be notified that said parcel of land be exchanged for another parcel of land adjoining said Parcel B and shown as Parcel A. The parcel proposed to be exchanged contains 105 square feet of land, and the parcel proposed to be acquired contains 146 square feet of land.

The Trustees of the Public Library believe the exchange to be in the interest of the City of Boston because the city will be acquiring land with a frontage on Delmont street in exchange for a smaller parcel of land with no frontage on any public way. It is therefore respectfully requested that the proper steps be taken to accomplish the proposed exchange of lands.

Respectfully,
THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.
by LEE M. FRIEDMAN, Vice President.

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Board of Trustees,
March 16, 1951.

Voted, That a certain parcel of land, containing 105 square feet shown as Parcel B on a plan marked "City of Boston, Adams street, Delmont street, Oakton avenue, Dorchester, December 17, 1950, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department" is no longer required for any public purpose; and

Voted, That said Parcel B, hereinbefore referred to, be conveyed to Giuseppa Seminara upon delivery by said Giuseppa Seminara of a deed to the City of Boston of 146 square feet of land shown as Parcel A on the plan hereinbefore referred to; and it is further

Voted, That the President or the Vice President be, and he hereby is, authorized to notify the Mayor and Council of the City of Boston of the contents of this vote.

A true copy.
Attest: MILTON E. LORD,
Clerk pro tem.

City Council.

Whereas, The City of Boston is the owner in fee of a certain parcel of land hereinafter described; and

Whereas, Giuseppa Seminara is the owner in fee of a certain parcel of land hereinafter described; and

Whereas, It is deemed to be to the mutual interest and advantage of the City of Boston and the said Giuseppa Seminara to transfer to each other the said parcels of land hereinafter described; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized to execute and deliver an instrument in writing, satisfactory in form to the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston, whereby all of the City of Boston's right, title, and interest in and to a certain parcel of land hereinafter described and shown as Parcel B on a plan hereinafter referred to, to Giuseppa Seminara in consideration of said Giuseppa Seminara's transferring all of Giuseppa Seminara's right, title, and interest in and to a certain parcel of land hereinafter described and designated as Parcel A on a plan hereinafter referred to.

Parcel A.— A certain parcel of land situated on the northerly side of Delmont street, Dorchester, bounded and described as follows:

Southerly by Delmont street, five and 66-100 (5.66) feet; westerly by land of the City of Boston,

fifty-one and 87–100 (51.87) feet; and easterly by land of Giuseppa Seminara, fifty-one and 40–100 (51.40) feet; containing 146 square feet of land, more or less.

Parcel B.— A certain parcel of land containing approximately 105 square feet, bounded and described as follows:

Westerly by land of the City of Boston, sixty and 69–100 (60.69) feet; northeasterly by land of Giuseppa Seminara, twenty-nine and 23–100 (29.23) feet; and southeasterly by land of Giuseppa Seminara, thirty-one and 86–100 (31.86) feet.

The above-described parcels of land are shown as Parcel A and Parcel B on a plan marked "City of Boston, Adams street, Delmont street, Oakton avenue, Dorchester, December 17, 1950, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department."

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

APPROPRIATION FOR AUTOMATIC TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a request from the Traffic Commissioner that additional funds in the amount of $100,000 be made available for the installation of traffic signal lights at approximately 30 locations in the city. I am advised by the City Auditor that there is available in the "Sales of City Property" account a sufficient balance which may be utilized for the purpose requested by the Traffic Commissioner.

I submit herewith an order providing for the appropriation of $100,000, to permit further extension of traffic control signal lights, and respectfully recommend adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
April 25, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With the installation of traffic lights during the coming months, we shall use up the available appropriation designated by you for this purpose.

Realizing that the problem of answering the demands and needs for traffic lights in the City of Boston is only half-met, I respectfully request that you give consideration to the appropriating of the sum of $100,000 so that plans and contracts can be established to provide traffic signals at approximately 30 locations in the City of Boston.

Although it is unlikely that these 30 signals can be installed and placed in operation by December 31, 1951, present conditions seem to indicate that in order to meet the need which exists we should start the necessary work as soon as possible.

Making allowances for the time required to make the plans and specifications, receive estimates of costs, receive necessary cable and supplies, award and execute contracts, it may be seen that an appropriation at this time would prove effective by making possible in 1951 the installation of a large number of necessary traffic signals.

If favorable circumstances permit, it might be possible that these installations could be completed this year, but that fact depends entirely upon how soon we are able to go forward under a new appropriation.

Respectfully yours,
Wm. Arthur Reilly, Commissioner.

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Ordered, That under the provisions of section 63 of chapter 44 of the General Laws the sum of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the special account, "Sales of City Property," to be expended under the direction of the Traffic Commissioner as follows:

Automatic traffic control signals in various sections of the city $100,000

Referred to the Executive Committee.

EXTENSION OF SEWER AND SURFACE DRAINS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works concerning a sanitary sewer and surface water drain in Boston and in Brookline. The communication explains in detail the agreement which must be signed between the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline concerning this sewer and drain.

I therefore forward to your Honorable Body an order authorizing the execution of an agreement between the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline, and I respectfully recommend adoption of the order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 30, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

At the present time the City of Boston has, in the rear of the southeasterly side of Beacon street, at Cleveland Circle, Brighton, a sanitary sewer and surface water drain extending from the Boston-Brookline line to Prendergast avenue. The Prendergast avenue end of that sewer and drain is but a short distance from the Walter F. Cassidy Playground. The existing drain in the playground is merely an old brook, covered over some years ago with stone slabs. The channel of the brook has often proved of insufficient size to provide proper drainage for the area, with the result that periodic flooding has been experienced. To the south of the playground lies Eliot street, Brookline. Brookline officials have recently come to recognize that the sewers and drains in Eliot street are inadequate to care for the sewage and drainage of the Eliot street section of Brookline.

Conferences between Brookline and Boston officials with respect to the problem have made it clear that it would be to the mutual advantage of Boston and Brookline if said sanitary sewer and surface water drain were extended from Prendergast avenue, Boston, to a point on the Boston-Brookline line, near Eliot street, Brookline. Transmitted herewith is a copy of a plan prepared under date of April 11, 1951, by Walter A. Devine, Brookline town engineer, showing the location of the proposed extension more specifically. Boston will acquire the necessary rights and easements in and for the entire extension and construct the section thereof shown on the plan as Section C–D. Brookline will construct the other sections, i.e., Section B–C and Section D–E—such Sections B–C and D–E to become, upon construction the property of the City of Boston, with the understanding that Brookline may discharge sewage and drainage into the existing sewer and drain and all sections of the extension thereof. It is estimated that the total cost of the entire extension will exceed $250,000, of which, it is expected, the City of Boston will have to pay approximately $50,000 for the necessary rights and easements and the construction of Section C–D. Inasmuch as the extension will enable the abandonment of the old covered brook channel and the elimination of all of its disadvantages, it is readily apparent that from Boston's point of view the project is most expedient.

I have been advised by the Corporation Counsel that the transaction between the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline should be embodied in an agreement authorized by the City Council. I therefore respectfully recommend to your Honor that the enclosed order enabling such an agreement be transmitted to the Council for adoption.

Respectfully yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works, with the approval of his Honor the Mayor, be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to execute and de-

liver an agreement between the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline, providing substantially as follows:

Whereas, The proper officers of the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline have determined that an extension of a certain existing sanitary sewer and surface water drain from its present termination at or near Prendergast avenue, Boston, to the line between Boston and Brookline, near Eliot street, Brookline, substantially as shown on the Town of Brookline plan annexed hereto entitled, "Plan to Accompany an Agreement Between the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline, Showing Right of Way for Drainage Purposes (Scale: 1 inch=50 feet), April 11, 1951, Walter A. Devine, Town Engineer," would be of benefit both to the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline; and

Whereas, The City of Boston, at its own expense, is about to acquire the necessary rights and easements in land for such extension and to construct and maintain the section thereof shown on said plan as Section C–D;

Now, Therefore, In consideration of the right herein granted by the City of Boston, the Town of Brookline does hereby covenant for itself, its successors and assigns; that at its own expense and without cost to the City of Boston, the Town of Brookline will design, construct, and forever maintain, all to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Public Works of the City of Boston or whatever board or officer may for the time being have charge of sanitary sewers and surface water drains of the City of Boston, the sections of said extension shown on said plan as Section B–C and Section D–E—such sections B–C and D–E, upon construction, to become and be the property of the City of Boston; and

In consideration of the covenant herein made by the Town of Brookline, the City of Boston does hereby grant to the Town of Brookline a perpetual right, to be exercised in common with said City of Boston, to discharge sewage into the aforesaid existing sanitary sewer and all sections of the aforesaid extension thereof, and to discharge surface water into the aforesaid existing surface water drain and all sections of the aforesaid extension thereof.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Donato DeMatteo, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 44 St. Edward road, caused by water being shut off.

Gertrude V. Devereaux, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 12 Ethel street.

Ruth M. Fuller, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Bernard Gaffney, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Elizabeth Gaffny, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 664 Harrison avenue.

Anna Gochberg, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 61 Floyd street, Dorchester.

Mary M. Harmon, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Nashua street near Causeway street.

David A. Hynds, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

Edith M. Johansson, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 1540 Centre street, Roslindale, caused by water being shut off.

Agnes E. Kippenberger, for compensation for injuries and damage to clothing caused by an alleged defect in the Gilbert Stuart School.

Bella H. Margolis, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 238 Tremont street.

Elizabeth Menslage, for compensation for damage to property at 707 East Fifth street, caused by water being shut off.

Charles A. Newell, to be reimbursed for loss of tooth while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

William R. O'Connell, for compensation for damage to property at 6 New Faneuil Hall, caused by defective water pipe.

Albert A. Sahyoun, for compensation for damage to property at 15 Upton street, caused by city employees.

Doris Swanson, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Brainerd road, Allston.

Thomas J. Tracey, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

Mr. and Mrs. David Warden, for compensation for damage to property at 80 Tacoma street, Hyde Park, during sidewalk construction.

Abraham P. Weinberg, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

John Wood Company, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Executive.

Petition of Gladys I. Murphy to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Carroll S. Murphy, late member of Fire Department.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petition for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement:

Jean Paige, John Hancock Hall, May 21.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

EMBANKMENT ROAD CONNECTION TO BOSTON CENTRAL ARTERY.

Notice was received from the State Public Works Department of establishment of location for Embankment road connection to Boston Central Artery, together with copy of layout and order of taking.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditures by the Boston Housing Authority in amount of $807,000 for construction contract on the River street 36-house development (chapter 372).

Placed on file.

LEASING OF LOUIS PRANG SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the School Committee transmitting copy of order passed by the School Committee on April 27, requesting the City Council to authorize the lease of the Louis Prang School, Bartlett street, Roxbury, to American Veterans of World War II, Roxbury Crossing Post 120.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notice of the following appointments was received from the Mayor:

Philip E. Bennett, 95 Mt. Vernon street, member of Board of Real Estate Commissioners for term ending April 30, 1954.

Samuel G. Fish, 46 Commonwealth avenue, member of City Planning Board for term ending April 30, 1956, vice Daniel J. Donovan, term expired.

Harold B. Flemming, 29 Ridgeview avenue, Mattapan, Trustee of Statistics Department for term ending April 30, 1956.

Irving Green, 63 Hillsboro road, Mattapan, Overseer of Public Welfare Department for term ending April 30, 1954.

John Guarino, 24 St. Andrew road, East Boston, member of Board of Examiners for term ending April 30, 1954.

Theodore C. Haffenreffer, 30 Germania street, Jamaica Plain, member of Board of Park Commissioners for term ending April 30, 1954.

George Hansen, 150 Tremont street, member of Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds for term ending April 30, 1954.

Joseph Lee, 11 Beacon street, member of Board of Park Commissioners for term ending April 30, 1953.

Patrick F. McDonald, 10 Power House street, South Boston, Trustee of Public Library for term ending April 30, 1956, vice Francis B. Masterson, term expired.

Spencer B. Montgomery, 30 Federal street, Overseer of Public Welfare Department for term ending April 30, 1954.

Daniel G. O'Connor, 51 Welles avenue, member of Board of Zoning Adjustment for term ending April 30, 1956.

Joseph F. O'Connell, 292 Marlborough street, member of Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds for term ending April 30, 1954, vice Patrick F. McDonald, term expired.

Stuart C. Rand, 136 St. James avenue, Trustee of Hospital Department for term ending April 30, 1956.

Daniel Sargent, 30 Fenway, Commissioner of Art Department, for term ending April 30, 1956.

Nicholas Scaramella, 273 Hanover street, Overseer of Public Welfare Department for term ending April 30, 1954.

Joseph Stefani, 30 Pemberton square, Overseer of Public Welfare Department for term ending April 30, 1954.

Severally placed on file.

DESIGNATION OF CHAIRMAN OF STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

Notice was received from the Mayor of the designation of Harold B. Flemming as Chairman of the Statistics Department.

Placed on file.

RENT INCREASES IN LOW-COST HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, protests the unwarranted and unjustifiable increases in the low-cost housing projects which, according to an order of the Boston Housing Authority, affective increases will take place June 1. These increases will provide undue hardship to the tenants now living in the low-cost units, and that a protest is hereby lodged by the members of the Boston City Council to the public housing authorities in Washington, with a request that increases be held up until a complete study is made and until a public hearing as to the advisability of these increases be officially held by the authorities, and that a copy of this protest be sent to officials of the public housing authority in Washington, D. C., to members of the Boston Housing Authority, and to members of the New England delegation to Congress for such action as they may deem appropriate.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules. On motion of Councilor Cook, the foregoing vote was reconsidered. On further motion of Councilor Cook, the resolution was referred to the Executive Committee.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC WAYS, ETC.

President Hurley called up under unfinished business, No. 1 on the calendar, viz.:

Assignment.

1. Order for loan of $2,000,000 for construction of public ways or permanent pavement.

On April 16, 1951, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 17, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 20, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—20.

Nays—0.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SEWERS AND FOR SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

On motion of President Hurley it was voted to take from the table No. 2 on the calendar, viz.:

2. Order for loan of $1,900,000 for construction of sewers and for sewage disposal.

On April 23, 1951, the foregoing order was rejected and reconsidered.

The question came on giving the order its first reading and passage. The order was rejected (15 votes being required for passage), yeas 10, nays 6:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Cook, Hurley, Kinsella, McCormack, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey—10.

Nays—Councilors Beades, Chase, Farin, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—6.

LEGISLATION RE EXTENSION OF TERM OF "VETERAN."

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the New England delegation to the United States Congress be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to expedite legislation in the United States Congress that will give legal claim of "veteran" to veterans participating in the Korean theater of war and to all veterans stationed on foreign soil.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PAINTING OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK AND "SLOW" SIGNS AT WASHINGTON AND BOWDOIN STREETS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to paint a pedestrian crosswalk and "Slow" signs at Washington street and Bowdoin street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF GILBERT J. SCHLESINGER.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Wellington Hill street and Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, in honor of Gilbert J. Schlesinger, first lieutenant of Bomber Squad 527, who lost his life in the European theater of operations, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

HONORING THE NAME OF BROWNIE ABRAHAM.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to add the name of Brownie Abraham, a lieutenant in the United States Army who was killed in Germany on March 6, 1949, to the George and Sheffie Abraham Square located at Dwight street and Shawmut avenue, Ward 3, which square is now named in honor of his two deceased brothers, late veterans of World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON WEST SEVENTH STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks in place of the present brick sidewalks on West Seventh street from Dorchester street to Dorchester avenue, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RENTAL INCREASE IN LOW-RENT HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to reconsider its action in increasing the rents of tenants in low-rent housing projects and to allow the present rent schedule to remain in force.

The order was passed under suspension of the rules.

On motion of Councilor Cook the foregoing vote was reconsidered.

On further motion of Councilor Cook the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

MODERN ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON O STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place modern electric lights on the wooden poles on O street, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SUNDAY SALES OF CERTAIN FOODSTUFFS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, strongly protests against the action of the Boston Licensing Board in forbidding the Sunday sale of groceries, canned goods, and other necessary foodstuffs by neighborhood variety stores, and respectfully suggests that the Board abandon its activities in this direction.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

MEMORIAL SERVICES AT HERBERT J. WOLF SQUARE.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the proper authorities be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put the Herbert J. Wolf Square at the corner of Crawford and Harold street, Roxbury, in proper and fitting condition for memorial services to be held there on Sunday, May 27, 1951.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

BUSES ON CITY POINT-DUDLEY STREET LINE.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority to replace the trolley cars on the City Point-Dudley Street line with modern buses, thereby relieving the traffic congestion in South Boston, and particularly in Andrew square.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

BOATS FOR DORCHESTER BEACHES.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Metropolitan District Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to provide boats for the Dorchester beaches now under their control, for life-saving purposes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SALE OF SEWING MACHINES.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to rescind the bids on the sewing machines and to give the taxpayers of Boston an opportunity to bid individually.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred April 9) of Constables authorized to serve civil process, upon filing of bond, as contained in City Document No. 43, for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Cantwell and Chase. While number of ballots 12, yeas 12, and the appointments were confirmed.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor McColgan the Council voted at 2.58 P.M., to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Councilor BRYAN at 4.15 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Mary A. Kelley (referred October 23, 1950) to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, William A. Kelley, late member of Fire Department, who died on October 16, 1950, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty—recommending passage of accompanying order, viz.:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of eighteen hundred and twelve dollars be allowed and paid to Mary A. Kelley, widow of William A. Kelley, a member of the Fire Department who died on October 16, 1950, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty, said annuity being made up of allowances as follows:

For the widow, Mary A. Kelley, so long as she remains unmarried, $1,500 a year.

For the following-named child during such time as he is under the age of eighteen or over said age and physically or mentally incapacitated from earning, $312 a year: James M. Kelley, born September 2, 1936,

provided, however, that if the widow remarries, the annuity for said child shall be $520 during the remainder of the time aforesaid, the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for agreement between City of Boston and Town of Brookline re sanitary sewer and surface water drain — that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Coffey, Farin, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

3. Report on resolution (referred today) protesting increase in rents in low-cost housing projects — recommending reference of the order to the Committee on Public Housing.

The report was accepted, and said order was referred to the Committee on Public Housing.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SEWERS AND FOR SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That under the provisions of clause 1 of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars ($1,500,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, for the construction of sewers for sanitary and surface drainage purposes, and for sewage disposal, and that to meet said appropriation, the City Treasurer be authorized to issue,

from time to time, on request of the Mayor, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the city to said amount.

On motion of Councilor Wenzler the order was amended to read $1,000,000. The question came on giving the order, as amended to $1,000,000, its first reading and passage. The order for $1,000,000 was given its first reading and passage, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Farin, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

LEASE OF LOUIS PRANG SCHOOL.

Coun. SULLIVAN and F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the School Committee be hereby authorized to lease to the American Veterans of World War II, Roxbury Crossing Post 120, the Louis Prang School, Bartlett street, Roxbury, upon such terms and conditions as said committee may deem advisable.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

BANNING OF VEHICLES ON ROADS IN PLAYSTEAD AREA.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Be It Ordered, That the Park Commissioner and the Police Commissioner be instructed, through his Honor the Mayor, to prohibit the use of the roads in the Playstead area of Franklin Park, by both commercial and private vehicles and to erect the necessary signs to enforce this prohibition, in order that the lives and safety of the mothers and children who use this area may be protected.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

USE AND OCCUPANCY OF HASTINGS HOUSE.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Whereas, It is proposed to change the use and occupancy of the building located at 215 Forest Hills street, Jamaica Plain, now known as the Hastings House, from a maternity hospital to one which will treat patients suffering from tuberculosis and other contagious diseases, and

Whereas, This neighborhood can rightfully be considered a densely populated area, inhabited by many Boston taxpayers and rent payers, and having a large quota of small children; and

Whereas, A hospital handling tuberculosis and other contagious disease patients, located in such a neighborhood, would constitute a distinct threat to the health, welfare and safety of people living in the vicinity; therefore be it

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor instruct the Building Commissioner and Health Commissioner to deny any petition seeking such change.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING OF BEAVER STREET, HYDE PARK.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Beaver street, Hyde Park, at the earliest possible opportunity.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. McCOLGAN, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition (referred April 23) of William F. McGoldrick to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred thirty-one dollars and twenty-five cents ($131.25) be allowed and paid to William F. McGoldrick in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

WELCOME TO PRIME MINISTER BEN GURION OF ISRAEL.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the City of Boston, through his Honor the Mayor, extend its greetings to Prime Minister Ben Gurion of Israel upon his arrival in our city on May 16, and that the President of the City Council appoint a committee of three members to welcome him and to conduct him on a tour of the historical spots in our city.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

Coun. FARIN in the chair.

COMMENDATION OF SPONSORS OF SOAP BOX DERBY.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Whereas, Children of juvenile age compete with handmade vehicles for prizes in the Soap Box Derby, which provides amusement for these children and keeps them out of any possible mischief for a period of approximately two to three months; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Juvenile Delinquency of the Boston City Council highly commends the Chevrolet Automobile Company and the Boston Herald-Traveler for the fine work they are doing on behalf of the children in conducting the Soap Box Derby, which is an annual event.

Coun. WENZLER doubted the presence of a quorum. The roll was called with the following result:

Present—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Chase, Farin, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—15.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

OBTAINING APARTMENTS IN VETERANS' HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct a letter to the Boston Housing Board and also to the State Attorney General and Federal Attorney General relative to giving a press statement as to the alleged rumors throughout the city that people are supposedly having to pay money to get into the veterans' housing projects in the City of Boston, and ask people who have evidence of such payments to come forward in person to the abovementioned proper authorities so that proper steps be taken in this matter.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 4.43 P.M., on motion of Councilor P. A. Tracy, to meet on Monday, May 7, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, May 7, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Hannon.

The City Council had as guests two Sisters and a group of students from Holy Cross Academy in Brookline.

Monsignor Richard J. Haberlin, Pastor of St. Peter's Catholic Church, Dorchester, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY MSGR. RICHARD J. HABERLIN.

Almighty and Eternal God, Creator and Savior of mankind, we adore Thee in Thy majesty, and to Thee we consecrate our thoughts, our words, and our deeds, that always whenever we may think of Thee, we may speak of Thee to dedicate our lives to Thy great honor and glory.

With hearts truly grateful, we offer Thee our thanks for all Thy kindness to our beloved America in this, her hour of trial.

We implore Thy tender solicitude for her welfare. In an especial manner, we commend to Thee, unlimited Benefactor and Protector, our Chief Executive, our Congress, our Governor, our legislators, our Mayor, and our City Council. Guide them in the right with Thy spirit of counsel and direct all their deliberations with the law of Thy divine wisdom, that their decisions may tend to promote happiness and perpetuate to us the blessings of liberty.

Bless, we beseech Thee, Almighty of Heaven and Earth, the citizens of this, our own dear United States, and banish from our hearts all spirit of evil. Enlighten our understanding and purify our intentions, that our purposes may merit Thy kindly approbation.

Direct our actions by Thy holy inspiration, that we as a nation may render a stewardship of love, of justice, and of charity, and be a blessing to all other nations.

For this we pray, Most Sovereign Father, humbly and devotedly, through the merits of Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who livest and reignest forever and ever. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

The Sisters and the students from the Holy Cross Academy then left the Chamber.

Coun. CANTWELL in the chair.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor McColgan presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Forty-four traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear June 4, 1951:

Albert Dente, Ward 1; John J. Donahue, Ward 1; Tolbert A. Miller, Ward 1; James G. Moses, Ward 3; Maurice E. Baer, Ward 4; John D. Manderson, Ward 4; Harry L. Annis, Ward 5; Edward H. Kneale, Ward 5; Alphonse V. Grabol, Ward 6; John J. Callahan, Ward 7; Arthur J. Ring, Ward 7; Henry Jones, Ward 9; Theodore C. Straus, Ward 9; Franklin G. Willard, Ward 10; Maurice J. Cronin, Ward 13; Daniel B. Culhnane, Ward 13; Max S. Bell, Ward 14; David Gelbaman, Ward 14; Joseph F. O'Neill, Ward 14; Robert Sinnott, Ward 14; Morris Thompson, Ward 14; James F. Gorman, Jr., Ward 15; William F. Sullivan, Ward 16; Bernard Woolfe, Ward 17; George J. Chamish, Ward 18; Bernard Coullahan, Ward 18; Edward R. Cronin, Ward 18; Fredrick D. Curtin, Ward 18; Myer Glass, Ward 18; James W. McAllister, Ward 18; Peter T. Sheridan, Ward 18; Wilbur E. Paden, Ward 18; Walter F. Duggan, Ward 19; Ralph J. Mock, Ward 19; John F. Carlin, Ward 19; Robert V. Eklund, Ward 20; Carl Malmberg, Ward 20; Terence R. McCourt, Ward 20; Hugh Cairns, Jr., Ward 21; John W. Conway, Ward 21; Edward P. Ryan, Ward 21; James C. Begley, Ward 22; John H. Duffy, Ward 22; Eugene Lovell, Ward 22.

Eighty-nine traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear June 5, 1951:

James F. Chiampa, Ward 1; Joseph V. DiNucci, Ward 1; John H. Lurvey, Ward 1; Joseph Todisco, Ward 1; Arthur T. Falvey, Ward 2; John J. Hurley, Ward 2; Felix M. Case, Ward 3; Leonard A. Castaldini, Ward 3; Louis J. Greenberg, Ward 3; Richard Orlandi, Ward 3; Michael A. Rizzo, Ward 3; Anthony Troisi, Ward 3; Julius Bornstein, Ward 4; James D. Mahoney, Ward 4; Donald Baker, Ward 5; Philip Giovi, Ward 5; Sumner L. Holsey, Ward 5; Gordon A. Petremont, Ward 5; Walter V. McDonough, Ward 6; Joseph S. Mockus, Ward 6; Vincent D. Collard, Ward 7; Joseph F. Desmond, Ward 7; John I. Kowalker, Ward 7; Edward J. Simpson, Jr., Ward 7; William A. Tucker, Ward 7; Harold Hannaway, Ward 8; Anthony Gabis, Ward 9; John H. Kelley, Ward 9.

Henry S. Anderson, Ward 10; John J. Connolly, Ward 10; William J. Knightly, Ward 10; John Lydon, Ward 10; John F. Lyons, Ward 10; Paul F. McGilvray, Ward 10; Thomas J. McMullen, Ward 10; I. Richard Abrams, Ward 11; James H. Daley, Ward 11; John J. Broderick, Ward 11; Peter J. Shortell, Ward 11; Harry Barnett, Ward 12; Buchanan Clifton, Ward 12; David F. Crowley, Jr., Ward 12; Peter J. Miner, Ward 12; John V. Parnell, Ward 12; Frederick H. Frost, Ward 13; Paul Grant, Ward 13; Carl Madson, Ward 13; Charles Marchetti, Ward 13; Morris Alter, Ward 14; Saul Altman, Ward 14; Jacob Franklin, Ward 14; Max Gerstein, Ward 14; Harry Hemel, Ward 14; Paul Lifshicz, Ward 14; Joseph F. McLaughlin, Ward 14; David Minkofsky, Ward 14; George P. Smith, Ward 14; Maurice White, Ward 14; Henry P. Fallon, Ward 15; Edward F. Mackin, Ward 15; Patrick J. Ward, Ward 15.

Joseph J. Adams, Ward 16; William J. McGinn, Ward 16; John F. Welch, Ward 16; David A. Weisman, Ward 16; Francis J. Carroll, Ward 17; Earle V. Mooney, Ward 17; John D. Quirk, Ward 17; James F. Mullen, Ward 18; John H. O'Neil, Ward 18; James A. Parker, Ward 18; Irving N. Drake, Ward 19; John F. Powell, Ward 19; Andrew Todd, Ward 19; John A. Currie, Ward 20; Joseph D. Kelleher, Ward 20; Otto H. Miller, Ward 20; Carl A. Rose, Ward 20; Henry M. Wheeler, Jr., Ward 20; Frank E. Brown, Ward 21; Joseph G. Caruso, Ward 21; Edward J. Daley, Ward 21; John E. Healey, Ward 21; Lawrence T. Reid, Ward 21; Robert L. Stein, Ward 21; Reneforth I. Yee, Ward 21; Allen G. Hymers, Ward 22; Joseph Julian, Ward 22; Joseph M. McGonagle, Ward 22.

One hundred thirty-two traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear June 4, 1951:

Alfred Albanese, Ward 1; Andrew V. Caputo, Ward 1; Anthony P. Coscia, Ward 1; Paul B. Dealy, Ward 1; Edward Ferrante, Ward 1; Stanley Frevold, Ward 1; John J. Murphy, Ward 1; Wilfred E. Smith, Ward 1; John B. Stasio, Ward 1; Carroll R. Brush, Ward 2; Frederick J. Mahady, Ward 2; William R. Urquhart, Ward 2; Paul V. Voytek, Ward 2; Harry Blonder, Ward 3; Michael Cialfitto, Ward 3; Samuel Fayer, Ward 3; Anthony Sava, Ward 3; John A. Harrison, Ward 4; Louis H. Hawks, Jr., Ward 4; Neil P. Peterson, Ward 4; Luke Ross, Ward 4; Anthony R. Sirianni, Ward 4; Richard R. Beatty, Jr., Ward 5; Harris G. Howard, Ward 5; Ralph S. Lawrence, Ward 5; Henry P. White, Ward 5; Louis F. Catano, Ward 6; Louis W. Donnell, Ward 6; James H. Fitzgerald, Ward 6; John A. W. Orner, Ward 6; Edward J. O'Toole, Ward 6; George W. Crossman, Ward 7; John Joseph Mahoney, Ward 7; James W. McColgan, Ward 7; James V. McDonnell, Ward 7; John E. Ryan, Ward 7; John J. Foley, Ward 8; Francis A. Gauss, Ward 8; Ralph Kabler, Ward 8; Joseph P. Thompson, Ward 8; Dominie L. Uva, Ward 8; Veal W. Burse, Jr., Ward 9; Patrick Dyett, Ward 9; Harold H. Ford, Ward 9; Herbert S. Foster, Ward 9; Thomas W. Preston, Ward 9; George H. Steele, Ward 9; Carroll T. Thomas, Ward 9.

Alfred H. Conn, Ward 10; Lawrence J. Doyle, Ward 10; Francis H. Gately, Ward 10; Charles McCarthy, Ward 10; Martin W. Murray, Ward 10; James P. Rokas, Ward 10; Quentin Stafford, Ward 10; Edward Stanton, Ward 10; Frank J. DeMeo, Ward 11; George Dempsey, Ward 11; Martin F. Gavin, Ward 11; Gordon Waring Reice, Ward 11; Arthur H. Baker, Ward 12; Samuel Brockman, Ward 12; Joseph W. Brookings, Ward 12; Anthony Donato, Ward 12; Melvin C. Long, Ward 12; Harry Puffer, Ward 12; Charles F. Scott, Ward 12; George W. Todd, Jr., Ward 12; Eugene V. Judge, Ward 13; George M. Ryan, Ward 13; Sherman B. Ryman, Ward 13; Henry Austin, Ward 14; Martin J. Coyne, Ward 14; Leonard Fox, Ward 14; John L. Malloy, Ward 14; George F. McCaffrey, Ward 14; Herbert L. Miller, Ward 14; Maurice S. Rosenberg, Ward 14.

Joseph Henry Brooker, Ward 15; Joseph J. Flaherty, Ward 15; Edward F. Lane, Ward 15; Franklin H. Linton, Ward 15; Murray A. Sullivan, Ward 15; Henry E. Aldrich, Ward 16; Patrick J. Brooks, Ward 16; Andrew F. Callahan, Ward 16; David P. Condon, Ward 16; Francis E. Dinsmore, Ward 16; Michael F. Dolan, Ward 16; George R. Eagles, Jr., Ward 16; Albert Harold Fortey, Ward 16; Joseph M. Halloran, Ward 16; Eugene A. Harrington, Ward 16; Joseph E. Hickey, Ward 16; Thomas F. Concannon, Ward 17; Timothy J. Glynn, Ward 17; Robert Gordon, Ward 17; Gerard V. Hannon, Ward 17; Ralph M. Knowland, Ward 17; Michael J. Allenshepezki, Ward 18; Julius R. Chamberlain, Ward 18; Charles F. Flaherty, Ward 18; Bernard J. Foley, Ward 18; Charles Ivan MacEachern, Ward 18; William A. Morrison, Ward 18; Johan A. Selander, Ward 18; Ralph A. Butler, Ward 19; Frederick M. Donaldson, Ward 19; Vinton Henry, Ward 19; Oscar H. Swanson, Ward 19; John H. Witham, Ward 19; Frank Murray Churchill, Ward 20; Robert J. Clarke, Ward 20; Edward B. Lennon, Ward 20; Clifford R. Newell, Ward 20; Harry H. Robinson, Ward 20; Granville W. Seaverns, Ward 20; Frederick J. Blizard, Ward 21; Harry E. Dauphinee, Ward 21; David Goldman, Ward 21; Robert R. Hawes, Ward 21; David F. Keane, Ward 21; Joseph M. Mahoney, Ward 21; William E. A. Mahoney, Jr., Ward 21; Henry Bradley, Ward 22; Martin A. Callaghan, Ward 22; Henry F. Chambers, Ward 22; Thomas E. Conway, Ward 22; Joseph P. Flynn, Ward 22; Bartholomew J. Murray, Jr., Ward 22; Thomas J. Reddington, Ward 22; Albert F. Weisse, Ward 22.

NAMING OF INTERSECTIONS IN HONOR OF VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 7, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith nine orders for the naming of various intersections in the city in honor of veterans of World Wars I and II and the Korean action.

The Committee to Memorialize Veterans after due consideration has recommended the naming of the various sites as set forth in the accompanying orders.

I recommend that your Honorable Body give approval to the accompanying orders.

Respectfully
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
May 3, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

At a meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans held this day, it was voted to designate the following intersections, as follows:

James J. Abdon Square, Whiting and Warren streets, Roxbury district, in honor of Pvt. James J. Abdon, killed in action in Korea.

Samuel Braff Square, Devon street and Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester district, in honor of Pvt. Samuel Braff, killed in action in France, 1944.

Gaetano Carusone Square, Thorndike street and Harrison avenue, Roxbury district, in honor of Ships' Cook 3/c, U.S.N., lost at sea, 1944.

Philip S. Corbett Square, Wren and Martin streets, West Roxbury district, in honor of Lieut.-Col. Phillip S. Corbett, veteran of World Wars I and II, deceased, 1948.

Louis C. Epstein Square, Dartmouth and Newbury streets, Boston Proper district, in honor of Pfc. Louis C. Epstein, killed in action in Germany, 1944.

Marat C. Euscher Square, Dennis and Moreland streets, Roxbury district, in honor of Sergt. Marat C. Euscher, killed in action in France, 1945.

Gilbert J. Schlesinger Square, Wellington Hill street and Ormond street, Dorchester district, in honor of 1st Lieut. Schlesinger, killed in action over Germany, 1945 (Pilot, 527 Bombing Squadron, 379th Bomber Group).

Lower Mills Memorial Post, V. F. W. Square, River and Temple streets, Dorchester district, named in honor of the deceased veterans of this Post.

Brownie, George and Sheffie Abraham Square, Dwight street and Shawmut avenue, Boston Proper district, in honor of three brothers who died in the service of their country.

Notice of the aforementioned vote has been forwarded to the City Council for appropriate action.

Respectfully submitted,
L. W. Costello, Secretary.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Whiting and Warren streets, Ward 12, be named James J. Abdon Square in honor of James J. Abdon, killed in action in Korea.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Devon street and Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14, be named Samuel Braff Square in honor of Samuel Braff, late veteran of World War II.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Thorndike street and Harrison avenue, Ward 8, be named Gaetano Carusone Square in honor of Gaetano Carusone, late veteran of World War II.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Wren and Martin streets, Ward 20, be named Philip S. Corbett Square in honor of Philip S. Corbett, late veteran of World Wars I and II.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Dartmouth and Newbury streets, Ward 5, be named Louis E. Epstein Square in honor of Louis E. Epstein, late veteran of World War II.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Dennis and Moreland streets, Ward 8, be named Marat C. Euscher Square in honor of Marat C. Euscher, late veteran of World War II.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Wellington Hill street and Ormond street, Ward 14, be named Gilbert J. Schlesinger Square in honor of Gilbert J. Schlesinger, late veteran of World War II.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of River and Temple streets, Ward 17, be named Lower Mills Memorial Post, V. F. W. Square, in honor of the deceased veterans of this Post.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Dwight street and Shawmut avenue, Ward 3, be named Brownie, George and Sheffie Abraham Square in honor of Brownie, George and Sheffie Abraham, late veterans of World War II.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

OFF-STREET PARKING IN SUBURBAN LIMITS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 7, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting that an appearance be made before the Executive Committee at its next meeting in reference to off-street parking in the suburban limits of the City of Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Real Estate Commission, May 4, 1951.
Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Re: Communication of April 25, 1951.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

In response to the order of the City Council that the Board of Real Estate Commissioners be requested to appear before the Executive Committee at its next meeting with reference to off-street parking in the suburban limits of the City of Boston, please be advised that, as Chairman, I have been designated by the Board to appear in its behalf at the pleasure of the Executive Committee of the City Council.

Very truly yours,
HERMAN CARP, Chairman.

Placed on file.

RECONSTRUCTION OF CAMBRIDGE AND WASHINGTON STREETS, BRIGHTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 7, 1951.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting that a contact be made with the chief engineer of the State Department of Public Works for a conference relative to expediting the road program for reconstruction of Cambridge street and Washington street in Brighton, under the provisions of chapter 90, so that work may start in the very near future.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 3, 1951.
Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of April 23:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to contact the chief engineer of the State Department of Public Works for a conference relative to expediting the road program for reconstruction of Cambridge street and Washington street in Brighton, under the provisions of chapter 90, so that work may start in the very near future."

The State Department of Public Works and this department are working in close cooperation in making the necessary surveys and preparing the plans and specifications in connection with the highway reconstruction program to be undertaken in various sections of the city during the current year, under the provisions of chapter 90 of the General Laws.

Both this department and the state department are experiencing a shortage of qualified highway engineers, but despite such a condition, I feel reasonably certain that the reconstruction of the above-referenced streets in the Brighton section will be completed during the current year. At this time, however, I cannot guarantee the completion of the work on these streets, but, as stated, I feel reasonably certain that the highway improvements will be completed as scheduled.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

MODERN ARC LIGHTS ON DORCHESTER STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 7, 1951.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting the installation of modern arc lights on Dorchester street, South Boston, this being a heavily traveled and poorly lighted street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 3, 1951.
Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of April 23:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install modern arc lights on Dorchester street, South Boston, this being a heavily traveled and poorly lighted street."

I have requested the Boston Edison Company to make an immediate survey of the above-referenced street and to prepare a plan showing the locations of any additional lights that should be installed.

As soon as said plan has been submitted to me, you may be assured that I shall do everything within reason to order the installation of as many additional lights as are needed on Dorchester street.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, G STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 7, 1951.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on that part of G street, Ward 7, which has not been completed.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 3, 1951.
Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of April 23:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on that part of G street, Ward 7, which has not been completed."

You may be certain that consideration will be given to including the above-referenced sidewalk improvement work in the current year's sidewalk reconstruction program. The department is doing everything within reason to replace, with artificial stone, all existing brick sidewalks in the South Boston, East Boston, and Charlestown areas, and a substantial start was made on such a program last year, and we contemplate continuing such a program to the limit of the budgetary appropriations available.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

PARKING ON ONE SIDE OF STREETS IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 7, 1951.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of April 23, 1951, requesting a hearing to be held by the Traffic Commission, relative to parking of vehicles on one side of the street in residential areas.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
May 2, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of April 23, 1951, requesting that a hearing be held relative to authorization for parking on one side of the street in residential areas, I wish to report that we will be glad to conduct such a hearing upon receipt of further specifications as to the particular questions to be answered at this hearing and the extension of the area to which the Council order applies.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

USE AND OCCUPANCY OF BUILDING AT 215 FOREST HILLS STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 7, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Health Commissioner relative to your order of April 30, 1951, requesting that any petition seeking to change the use and occupancy of the building located at 215 Forest Hills street, Jamaica Plain, now known as the Hastings House, from a maternity hospital to one which will treat patients suffering from tuberculosis and other contagious diseases be denied.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Health Department, May 3, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your communication of May 2, enclosing City Council order of April 30, 1951, requesting that "any petition seeking to change the use and occupancy of the building located at 215 Forest Hills street from a maternity hospital to one which treats patients suffering from tuberculosis and other contagious diseases be denied."

I am advised by the Building Department of the City of Boston that an application has been received by the Building Commissioner for a change of occupancy from a maternity hospital to a hospital for chest diseases, at 215 Forest Hills street.

I am further advised by the Building Department that they have submitted a question to the Corporation Counsel to determine whether or not it is mandatory to hold a hearing to authorize this change of occupancy. This question was submitted because on a previous date (in 1911) a license to operate a maternity hospital was granted for that location. The Building Department will advise me when an answer is received and, at that time, your Honor will likewise be informed.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D.,
Health Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Laura Appleton Interiors, Inc., for compensation for window broken at 91 Newbury street during construction work.

Lino Baga, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Washington street.

Samuel Barbaro, for compensation for damage to car by patrol wagon.

Tony Berent, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Scottfield road and Kelton street.

Lillian Butler, for compensation for damage to coat by paint on hydrant at 131 Zeigler street.

Giuseppina Cascio, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Prince street.

Edward D. David, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Maria Giacalone, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Prince street.

Richard E. Gorman, for compensation for loss of clothing while in performance of duty as employee of Water Division.

Margaret Gould, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Washington street.

Patrick F. Granahan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of School Committee.

Frank Harvey, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 321 Centre street.

Hotels Statler Co., Inc., for compensation for damage to property at Hotel Statler, Boston, caused by stoppage in sewer.

Hyman Lamkin, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Massachusetts Bowling Alleys, Inc., for refund on bowling license fee.

Michael Mooney, for compensation for loss of eyeglasses while working at Woodlawn street and Hyde Park avenue.

Rose H. Murray, for compensation for damage to property at 63 Constance road, West Roxbury, during street construction.

Navy Post 297, Inc., A. L., to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in digging for leak at 26 Winthrop street.

H. Seymourian, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Harry Sheehan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department.

Executive Committee.

Petition of Veronica M. Harkins, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Michael J. Harkins, late member of Fire Department.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received:

Lillafrances Viles, Hyde Park High School, May 14.

Armando Arena, Jordan Hall, May 20.

Norris Studio of Dancing, Lois E. Norris, Jordan Hall, June 2.

Mary Campbell, Jordan Hall, June 11.

Viola K. Breiding, John Hancock Hall, June 13 and 15.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of the following, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved:

Samuel J. Adelman, Henry Atwood, Samuel C. Baker, Alfred Blaustein, Abram Bornstein, James A. Canton, Sidney Cohen, John D. Cole, John M. Crawford, Edward A. DeSimone, James A. Desmond, William J. DuRoss, Gaetano D. Finamore, Roland W. Golden, Louis E. Grace, Salvatore Grassa, Abner Goldkrand, Meyer Goldstein, Edward I. Hoffman, Bronis Kontrim, Mark H. Krafsure, Nathan Kravitsky, John F. Lally, Charles I. Lesser, Maurice Levine, Alfred Lubin, James F. Martin, Francis J. Melville, Jr., Frank A. Mitchell, Phillip S. Phillips, George N. Pierce, William T. Ross, Jacob E. Schrank, Joseph P. Sebrank, Frank Shaw, Joseph Simansky, Clifford L. Smith, Jerome Suvalle, Benjamin J. Tackeff, William Tatel, Roman J. Vasil, Sidney Williams, Louis Yacker, Morris Youman.

TRANSIENT VENDOR'S LICENSE.

Notice was received from the City Clerk of the issuance of a transient vendor's license to Howard V. H. Inches, for sale of books and food products at the University Club, 40 Trinity place, Boston, and of the filing of the bond required under the ordinance.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditures by Boston

Housing Authority in amount of $5,605.50 for dry wells at Liversidge No. 1, 20-house contract, River street veterans' housing project.
Placed on file.

NOTICES FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held June 5 at 10 A.M. on investigation by department on its own motion as to propriety of rates and charges filed by Dedham-Needham Transit Lines, Inc.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of approval of department of petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for relocation and use of double track in Blue Hill avenue, from and connecting with existing double track at Landor street, to and connecting with existing double track south of Johnston road, and approval of right-hand crossover in Blue Hill avenue north of Johnston road.
Severally placed on file.

BOSTON CENTRAL ARTERY.

A communication was received from the State Department of Public Works transmitting copy of order of layout and taking for widening of Boston central artery location.
Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS IN HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Notices were received from the Health Department of the following appointments:
Dr. John T. Foley, 1997 Beacon street, Waban, to permanent position of Director, Section of Medical Services, at $8,000 a year, effective April 27, 1951.
William J. Kane, 2035 Commonwealth avenue, Brighton, to permanent position of Chief, Division of Vital Statistics, at $3,900 a year, effective as of March 28, 1951.
Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:
Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred April 30) of Margaret Toner, Charles C. Raftell, Ralph G. Magin, and George E. Lewis as Weighers of Coal for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.
Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred April 30) of Josiah R. Dyer, Edward V. Keenan, Herbert T. Richard, Albert Lacroix, Lawrence J. Baird, and Norman M. Harris as Weighers of Goods for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.
The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Chase and McCormack. Whole number of ballots 15, yeas 15, and the appointments were confirmed.
Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred April 16) of Constables not authorized to serve civil process and to serve without bond, as contained in City Document No. 45, for the term ending April 30, 1952, recommending that the appointments be confirmed with the exception of Frank Bevilacqua, Frank DeMartino, Joseph L. Duffley, Joseph F. Floccher, Charles B. Gray, Thomas A. Hughes, Louis J. Lanata, James B. MacInnis, Edwin J. McGowan, Robert F. Morey, and Joseph Russian.
The report of the committee was accepted.
Coun. McCOLGAN moved that the appointments be recommitted to the Committee on Confirmations. The motion was lost.
On motion of Councilor Coffey the names of Charles B. Gray and Thomas A. Hughes were added to the list of names of those recommended for confirmation by the committee.
On motion of Councilor Wenzler the name of Edwin J. McGowan was added to the said list.
On motion of Councilor Lanigan the name of Joseph F. Floccher was added to the said list.
On motion of Councilor Ansel the names of Frank Bevilacqua, Frank DeMartino, Joseph L. Duffley, Louis L. Lanata, James B. MacInnes, Robert F. Morey, and Joseph Russian were added to the said list.
Coun. SULLIVAN moved reconsideration of the foregoing vote. The motion to reconsider was carried.
The question then came on the motion of Councilor Ansel to add to the said list the names of Frank Bevilacqua, Frank DeMartino, Joseph L. Duffley, Louis L. Lanata, James B. MacInnis, Robert F. Morey, and Joseph Russian. The motion was carried.
The question then came on the confirmation of all of the appointments as submitted by the Mayor and as contained in City Document No. 45.
Committee, Councilors McCormack and Yerxa. Whole number of ballots 15, yeas 15, and the appointments were confirmed.

DEATH OF MRS. MARY MALONEY.

Chairman CANTWELL announced that the funeral of Mrs. Mary Maloney, the mother of Jack Maloney, would be at 786 Mount Auburn street, Watertown, with services at nine o'clock at St. Patrick's Church, Watertown, on Tuesday, May 8, 1951.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:
1. Report on ordinance (referred April 23) prohibiting any person operating a hackney carriage or other vehicle not licensed by City of Boston from soliciting and/or picking up passengers for hire within the limits of the City of Boston—that same ought to pass.
The report was accepted. Coun. RAMSEY moved that the ordinance be referred to the Executive Committee, and the motion was lost. Coun. McCOLGAN moved that the ordinance be recommitted to the Committee on Ordinances, and the motion was carried.

COMMUNICATIONS RE RENTAL INCREASES IN HOUSING PROJECT.

Coun. WENZLER submitted two telegrams and letter received by him from Senators Leverett Saltonstall and Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., and Congressman John W. McCormack relative to rental increases in housing projects.
Communications placed on file.

PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE TO THOMAS A. YAWKEY.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:
Whereas, Thomas A. Yawkey, owner of the Boston American League Baseball Club, has spent over $5,000,000 in an effort to give Boston a pennant winning team; and
Whereas, In 1946, his Boston Red Sox Club brought the first pennant to Boston in 28 years and failed by the narrowest of margins to win others during the past few years; and
Whereas, Through his financial investment in the Boston Red Sox Baseball Club and his constant endeavors to make it the best club in the American League, he has aided materially in bringing considerable business to Boston; therefore, be it
Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in conjunction with the Mayor, arrange for a date in the very near future on which to present Thomas A. Yawkey with a plaque in appreciation for his splendid sportsmanship over a long period of years.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

MARINE PARK IMPROVEMENTS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Metropolitan District Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the flagpole which was taken

down by them in Marine Park; also to place all the benches in proper condition, to rake all broken glass out of the sand, and to have a sign placed on the convenience station for the benefit of the public.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on West Seventh street, from F street to Dorchester avenue; on H street, from Broadway to East Second street, and on Emerson street, from Dorchester street to I street, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Coun. FARIN in the chair.

MOSQUITO CONTROL FOR ALICE GALLAGHER PARK.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have Alice Gallagher Park, formerly known as Chandler's Pond, placed under the mosquito control division of the department.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

FENCING AT JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER SCHOOL.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the engineer in the School Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install about 60 feet of fencing on the east side of the John Greenleaf Whittier School lot.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PAINTING OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALKS, WARDS 15, 16, AND 17.

Coun. FARIN, RAMSEY, and ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Traffic Commissioner to paint pedestrian crosswalk lines on Washington street, Bowdoin street, Bowdoin avenue, and Harvard street in the Ward 15, 16, and 17 area.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

OPPOSITION TO EXECUTION OF WILLIAM McGEE.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That, in meeting assembled, the members of the Boston City Council go on record as opposing the execution of one William McGee, who was convicted and whose sentence is to be executed tonight at midnight. The Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, feels that the facts justify a review of this conviction and that such clemency as may be administered by the President of the United States consistent with the rights of fair play should be granted.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

CHARLOTTE STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Charlotte street in Ward 14 a one-way street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ROPING OFF OF BLUE HILL AVENUE.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange for the roping off of Blue Hill avenue for the Third Anniversary Parade of the State of Israel to be held on Sunday, May 13, 1951, and that this be charged to the appropriations of the Boston City Council.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NONCONFORMING USE OF BUILDING AT 81 WESTMINSTER AVENUE.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Whereas, The vicinity of Westminster avenue and Walnut avenue, in the Roxbury district of Boston, is a residential area; and

Whereas, The erection of an office warehouse and painting contractor's shop at 81 Westminster avenue is a nonconforming use which will be most detrimental and injurious to the neighborhood; therefore be it

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Building Commissioner to revoke the permit granted on April 13, 1951, allowing the occupancy of 81 Westminster avenue (also known as 317 Walnut avenue, rear) as an office warehouse and painting contractor's shop; and be it further

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to revoke any permits issued by his department for driveway openings, etc., leading to said premises for such occupancy; and be it further

Ordered, That no permits be granted by any city department with regard to nonconforming uses of said premises without first notifying the residents living in the vicinity and holding a public hearing on same.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF UNION TERRACE.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Street Laying-Out Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Union terrace in Jamaica Plain as a public way.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

"SLOW" SIGNS AT EAST EIGHTH STREET INTERSECTIONS.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install "Slow" signs at the intersections of all streets leading into East Eighth street, Ward 7.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

"NO PARKING" SIGNS ON COLUMBIA ROAD.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to erect "No Parking" signs on Columbia road as they have done in the past during the summer months.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON SPRINGER STREET.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Springer street, Ward 7.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor F. P. Tracey the Council voted to take a recess at 3.46 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 4.10 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and nine orders (referred today) naming intersections in honor of veterans of World Wars I and II and the Korean action that—same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred April 30) appropriating $100,000 from special account, "Sales of City Property," to be expended under direction of Traffic Commissioner for automatic traffic control signals—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the question came on the passage of the order. The order was passed, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler–17.

Nays—0.

ILLNESS OF COUNCILOR HANNON.

Coun. BRYAN announced the illness of Councilor Hannon at the City Hospital, and his confinement there for a few days.

APPLICATIONS FOR APARTMENTS IN HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. BRYAN recalled from the Executive Committee the order (referred January 16, 1950) concerning the policy of the Boston Housing Authority regarding tenants' applications.

On motion of Councilor Bryan the order was referred to the Committee on Public Housing.

MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY announced that there would be a meeting of the Committee on Ordinances on Thursday, May 10, at eleven o'clock in regard to the ordinance referring to licenses of hackney carriages.

WILTSHIRE AND HATHERLY ROADS AS ONE-WAY STREETS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Wiltshire and Hatherly roads one way for the safety of the children in that district.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Coun. WENZLER in the chair.

OPEN-AIR PARKING SPACES.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to prepare promptly for consideration of the City Council an ordinance which shall require for the conducting and maintaining of any open-air parking space in the city a license subject to such rules and regulations as shall more adequately consider the convenience, safety, and rights of the public, and shall be less a fire hazard than present rules and regulations permit; and be it further

Ordered, That such form of ordinance, and the rules and regulations to be promulgated thereunder, shall

(1) Forbid the parking of more than 6 motor vehicles in any 1,000 square feet area;

(2) Forbid the parking of more than 12 motor vehicles in any 3,000 square feet area;

(3) Forbid the parking of more than 18 motor vehicles in any 5,000 square feet area;

(4) Require the clear designation of lanes of ingress and egress for all cars parked in licensed open-air parking space areas;

(5) Require that lanes of ingress and egress shall be kept free and clear at all times so that any motor vehicle parked or stored on any open-air space area may be readily moved, in case of fire or other emergency, without the necessity of moving other motor vehicles;

(6) Require the filing of plot plans with all applications for open-air parking licenses, to include the following information:

a. Location, street, and number;

b. Dimensions of lot boundaries;

c. Gross area;

d. A clearly defined division of the area into blocks representing the proposed positions of parked motor vehicles when the area is fully utilized;

e. Clear location of unblocked lanes of ingress and egress between parking spaces on such lot and the public way;

and be it further

Ordered, That the following fees be established under chapter 148, section 56, of the General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, with the power vested in the Mayor under chapter 297 of the Acts of 1931.

Class A—5 cars or less	$15
Class B—6 to 10 cars	30
Class C—11 to 25 cars	150
Class D—26 to 50 cars	400
Class E—51 to 75 cars	1,000
Class F—76 to 100 cars	1,500
Class G—101 to 150 cars	2,000
Class H—151 to 300 cars	2,500
Class I—301 to 500 cars	3,500
Class J—Over 500 cars	5,000

On motion of Councilor Ramsey the order was referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

Adjourned at 4.29 P.M., on motion of President HURLEY, to meet on Monday, May 14, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, May 14, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY presiding, and all the members present.

The Reverend Joseph A. Brandley, Pastor of St. Brendan's Catholic Church, Dorchester, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REVEREND JOSEPH A. BRANDLEY.

Almighty God, the Lord and Ruler of all things created, to whom all things owe their existence, by whose wisdom they are directed, by whose power they are sustained, by whose delegation kings reign and rulers dispense justice, we humbly beg Thy blessing on this honorable assembly to which Thou has entrusted in great measure the welfare and happiness of our beloved city. We ask Thy blessings on all their deliberations because all power is from Thee and all lawfully constituted authority speaks in Thy name.

May Thy heavenly spirit of wisdom, counsel and fortitude guide all their deliberations and guide and direct all who rule, that we may be all led along the paths that lead to Thee, the goal and object and aspiration of our great and honorable city of which, as in the past, we can always be truly proud. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointment:

Weigher of Goods for term ending April 30, 1952: James C. Ciampa, 57 Hewlett street, Roslindale, Mass.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

IMPROVEMENTS AT SOUTH BOSTON BEACHES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 14, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Metropolitan District Commission relative to your orders of April 9, 23, 30, 1951, relative to all drinking fountains in the South Boston area, and repairing of benches; replacement of a flagpole at City Point; also life saving boats being available when the beaches are opened.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Metropolitan District Commission,
20 Somerset Street, Boston,
May 8, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Replying to your request from the City Council order of April 25, requesting the replacement of a flagpole which was taken down at City Point, at the present time there are no funds available under this item in our budget. If funds are made available in the budget as of July 1, we will take bids for the erection of the flagpole.

Your City Council order of April 11, relative to drinking fountains, all drinking fountains in South Boston area, under the control of this commission, are in good order. As to repairing the benches, a contract will shortly be advertised for this.

Your City Council order of May 2, relative to boats, life saving boats will be available when the beaches are opened.

Very truly yours,
WILLIAM T. MORRISSEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF CERTAIN VOTING BOOTHS, WARD 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 14, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Election Commissioners relative to your order of April 2, 1951, requesting that plans be made to have the booths, at Precinct 6, on Sharp street, and at Precinct 20, on Stone terrace, in Ward 17, removed and place these in a permanent building so that the workers may have water and various other facilities.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Election Commissioners,
May 9, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Council order passed April 2, 1951, and reading as follows has been received:

"Ordered, That the Election Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make plans to have the booths, at Precinct 6, on Sharp street, and at Precinct 20, on Stone terrace, Ward 17, removed and place these in a permanent building so that the workers may have water and various other facilities."

Please be advised that our man in charge of polling places has made a very careful survey of both of these precincts and reports that in place of the booth in Precinct 6, we could use the Dorchester High School for Girls, Talbot avenue and Washington street; and in place of the booth in Precinct 20, we could use the Woodrow Wilson School, Hurlcroft avenue and Alicia road.

We are pleased to cooperate with Councilor Farin and trust that these changes will be satisfactory to him. If not, we would suggest that he get in touch with this Board as soon as possible and we will be very willing to consider any recommendations he might have for adequate polling places for these two precincts.

Very truly yours,
BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS,
JOSEPH RUSSO, Chairman.

Placed on file.

BUSES ON CITY POINT–DUDLEY STREET LINE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 14, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the General Manager of the Metropolitan Transit Authority relative to your order of April 30, 1951, requesting the replacement of the trolley cars on the City Point–Dudley Street line with modern buses, thereby relieving the traffic congestion in South Boston and particularly in Andrew square.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
May 9, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Study has been made in regard to order of the City Council of April 30, requesting the replacement of the trolley cars on the City Point–Dudley Street line with buses.

The Transportation Department reports that it would require eight additional manpower, 127

additional miles weekly, and a cost annually of $43,000, more than the present service, without materially reducing traffic congestion, as more trips would go through Andrew Station than at present by cars.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA,
General Manager.

Placed on file.

MOSQUITO CONTROL AT ALICE GALLAGHER PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 14, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of May 7, 1951, requesting to have Alice Gallagher Park, formerly known as Chandler's Pond, placed under the mosquito control activities of the department.

Sincerely,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, May 10, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order dated May 7, requesting to have the Alice Gallagher Park, formerly known as Chandler's Pond, placed under the mosquito control activities of the department.

This matter has been referred to the Deputy Commissioner and I have asked him to make arrangements for the spraying of the area.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PAINTING OF CROSSWALK AND "SLOW" SIGNS, WARDS 15, 16, AND 17.

The following were received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 14, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of April 30, 1951, requesting to paint a pedestrian crosswalk and "Slow" signs at Washington street and Bowdoin street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
May 9, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order of April 30, 1951, Requesting That a Pedestrian Crosswalk and "Slow" Signs Be Painted at Bowdoin and Washington Streets.
Dear Sir:

In accordance with this request, I have issued orders to have the necessary painting done as soon as possible.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

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City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 14, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of May 7, 1951, requesting that pedestrian crosswalk lines be painted on Washington street, Bowdoin street and Bowdoin avenue, and Harvard street in Wards 15, 16, and 17 area.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
May 10, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Council Order Dated May 7, 1951, Requesting That Pedestrian Crosswalks Be Painted on Washington Street, Bowdoin Street and Bowdoin Avenue, and Harvard Street.
Dear Sir:

Orders have been issued to have the above crosswalks painted and this should be accomplished within a few days.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Severally placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, WEST SEVENTH STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 14, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of April 30, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks in place of the present brick sidewalks on West Seventh street, from Dorchester street to Dorchester avenue, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 6, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks in place of the present brick sidewalks on West Seventh street, from Dorchester street to Dorchester avenue, Ward 6, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the list of cement sidewalk installation to be given consideration during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING OF BEAVER STREET, HYDE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 14, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of April 30, 1951, requesting to resurface Beaver street, Hyde Park, at the earliest possible opportunity.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 7, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface Beaver street, Hyde Park, at the earliest possible opportunity, and this will advise you that this street, from Austin street to Gordon avenue, is a private way, and the portion from Reservation road to Cleveland street is public.

The portion, from Reservation road to Cleveland street, will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for resurfacing during the current year.

Beaver street, from Austin street to Gordon avenue, will have to be laid out and accepted by the Board of Street Commissioners before any work can be performed therein by the Highway Section of the Public Works Department.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

MEMORIAL SERVICES AT HERBERT J. WOLF SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 14, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of April 30, 1951, requesting to put the Herbert J. Wolf Square, at the corner of Crawford and Harold streets, Roxbury, in proper and fitting condition for memorial services to be held there on Sunday, May 27, 1951.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 8, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of April 30:

"Ordered, That the proper authorities be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put the Herbert J. Wolf Square, at the corner of Crawford and Harold streets, Roxbury, in proper and fitting condition for memorial services to be held there on Sunday, May 27, 1951."

Steps will be taken to see that the above-referenced square and adjacent streets are in a clean condition in time for the memorial services, and arrangements will also be made to make certain that other department-controlled facilities in the area, such as, street signs, poles, etc., are in proper condition in time for the above services.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON SPRINGER STREET, WARD 7.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 14, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 7, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Springer street, Ward 7.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 10, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Springer street, Ward 7, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the list of granolithic sidewalk installation to be given consideration during the current year.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

SALARY INCREASE TO COUNTY EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 11, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the enclosed communication from the Budget Commissioner requesting authorization to grant the general increase to county employees who come under the County Compensation and Classification Plans for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County, and I recommend passage of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Budget Department, May 11, 1951.

To the Mayor and City Council.
Gentlemen:

Authority of the Mayor and City Council is necessary in order to grant the general increase of $5 per week to employees of Suffolk County who come under the provisions of the Compensation and Classification Plans for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County. This authorization is necessary so that there will be no delay in granting the increase to the county employees entitled to the same.

In order to accomplish this purpose there is forwarded herewith an order authorizing this increase to employees included in said plan.

Very truly yours,
John A. Sullivan,
Budget Commissioner.

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Ordered, That the Compensation and Classification Plans for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County be, and hereby are, amended, to provide a $5 per week increase for employees paid weekly, a $22 per month increase for employees paid monthly or semimonthly, and a proportionate increase for those employees on a limited or special rate basis, beginning June 6, 1951, for weekly paid employees, and June 1, 1951, for semimonthly and monthly paid employees, in accordance with the provisions of Circular Letter No. 5 issued by the Mayor under date of April 30, 1951.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Aetna Casualty & Surety Company, for compensation for damage to car of Bernard N. Gehr, by city vehicle.

Samuel Chipman, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Annette R. Cohen, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 8A and 10 Glenway street.

Margaret E. Duran, for compensation for damage to car by patrol wagon.

Eric L. Erickson, for compensation for damage to property at 79 Tacoma street, Hyde Park, during sidewalk construction.

Katherine Gallagher, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in digging for leak in water pipe at 25 Bragdon street, Roxbury.

Tage L. Johansson, for compensation for damage to property at 64 Tacoma street, Hyde Park, during sidewalk construction.

Freda Kazin, for compensation for damage to property at 71 Tacoma street, Hyde Park, during sidewalk construction.

Martha A. Mueller, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Bror L. Olofsson, for compensation for damage to property at 75 Tacoma street, Hyde Park, during sidewalk construction.

Robert E. Regan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Robert E. Regan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Ann Scannell, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 559 River street.

Jane F. Sudds, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at West Seventh and K streets, South Boston.

Executive.

Petition of Mabel R. B. Cresey to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, Theodore P. Cresey, late member of the Fire Department.

Permits for Children.

Petition for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement, viz.:

Ruth M. McShane, South Boston Municipal Building, June 21.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of the following, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved:

Irving E. Bennett, John A. D'Arcy, John W. Herbert, Melvin H. Ligums, Anthony Luongo, Salvatore Maffei, Joseph W. McCleary, Louis H. Oppenheim, Hector Palladino, Louis Richmond, Edward J. Rockett, Francis C. Shack, Edward W. Sheehan, Sidney Sheinfeld, Leon Small, Harry Smith, Frank Spano, William Tepper, Joseph Todisco.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Housing Board of approval of expenditure of $5,000 by Boston Housing Authority for preliminary survey of land in the Newbrook area, West Roxbury.

Placed on file.

SALARIES OF MATRONS AT HOUSE OF DETENTION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Police Department, May 8, 1951.

Mr. Walter J. Malloy,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with provisions of chapter 147, section 19, F General Laws (Ter. Edit.), concurrent approval is requested of the Honorable City Council in establishment of weekly basic salaries paid to certain employees of the House of Detention of this department, listed as follows, effective June 6, 1951:

Position.	Present Annual Basic Rate.	New Weekly Basic Rate.
Chief Matron	$2,950	$61 58
Assistant Chief Matron	2,750	57 74
Assistant Matron	2,650	55 82

The above changes in salary are in accordance with general increase of $5 per week granted to all members of the Police Department.

Very truly yours,
T. F. Sullivan,
Police Commissioner.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPOINTMENT OF FIRST ASSISTANT ASSESSORS.

Notice was received from the Board of Assessors of appointment of Edward J. Carroll, 27 Newcroft Circle, Mattapan, and Warren R. Moore, 8 North avenue, West Roxbury, as temporary first assistant assessors for a period of six months, effective May 14, and expiring November 13, salary to be upon basis of $3,000 per annum, both being disabled war veterans, and the appointments having been approved by the Mayor and the Civil Service Commission.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT HEALTH COMMISSIONER.

Notice was received from Health Commissioner John J. Cauley of the appointment on February 26, 1951, of Dr. Charles F. Wilinsky, 330 Brookline avenue, Boston, as assistant health commissioner.

Placed on file.

ORGANIZATION OF OVERSEERS OF PUBLIC WELFARE.

Notice was received from the Board of Overseers of the Public Welfare of organization of board as follows:

Henry E. Foley, Chairman; Mrs. Ida M. Kahn, Vice Chairman; Spencer B. Montgomery, Treasurer; William G. O'Hare, Secretary.

Placed on file.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SEWERS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

President HURLEY called up No. 1 on the Calendar, viz..

1. Order for loan of $1.000,000 for construction of sewers and sewage disposal.

On April 30, 1951, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 18, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 19, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, Yerxa—19.

Nays—0.

EXTENSION OF SEWER AND SURFACE DRAINS.

President HURLEY called up No. 2 on the Calendar, viz.:

2. Order authorizing agreement between City of Boston and Town of Brookline for extension of sewer and surface drains at Cleveland Circle, Brighton.

On April 30, 1951, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 18 nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 20, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—20.

Nays—0.

LEASE OF DORCHESTER AVENUE SCHOOL.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the School Committee be authorized to lease to the John J. O'Connell Post No. 85, American Legion, the Dorchester Avenue School, Dorchester, upon such terms and conditions as may be set forth by said committee, provided, however, that the Post agrees to terminate the lease if and when it is requested for the building of a health centre.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

EMPLOYMENT OF OCULIST IN SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the School Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to set up facilities whereby an oculist may be hired in a permanent capacity in order to help out all students by informing them of any impediment in their eyesight and thereby prevent any later permanent injury that could be remedied now.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Coffey the Council voted to take a recess at 2.20 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President HURLEY at 2.35 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) requesting authorization for general increase to county employees who come

under County Compensation and Classification Plans—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on communication from the Police Commissioner (referred today) establishing salaries of certain police matrons—recommending passage of the following order:

Ordered, That in concurrence with the Police Commissioner the salaries of matrons at the House of Detention for Women be established as follows:

Chief matron at $61.58 a week, to take effect as of June 6, 1951.

Assistant chief matron at $57.74 a week, to take effect as of June 6, 1951.

Assistant matron at $55.82 a week, to take effect as of June 6, 1951.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

VISIT OF PRIME MINISTER OF ISRAEL.

President HURLEY announced that the Hon. David Ben-Gurion, Prime Minister of Israel, will be in front of City Hall at 1 P.M., Tuesday, May 15, and that his Honor, Mayor Hynes, invited all Councilors to be present on the reviewing stand.

PLAQUE FOR THOMAS A. YAWKEY.

Coun. SHANLEY asked if the City Councilors who initiated the resolution for the presentation of a plaque to Thomas A. Yawkey were to be invited to be present at the ceremony. President HURLEY referred the matter to the Assistant Director of Public Celebrations.

SALARIES OF OFFICERS OF CITY COUNCIL.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

An Ordinance, Concerning Salaries of Officers of the City Council.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

Section 5 of chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as amended, is hereby further amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

The officers connected with the city council—the clerk of committees, seven thousand and sixty dollars; the assistant clerk of committees, fifty-four hundred and sixty dollars; two secretaries, each thirty-eight hundred and sixty dollars; city messenger, seven thousand and sixty dollars; the first assistant city messenger, forty-eight hundred and sixty dollars; the second assistant city messenger, thirty-eight hundred and sixty dollars; two stenographer-clerks, each thirty-five hundred and sixty dollars; the document man, forty-three hundred and sixty dollars; the assistant document man, thirty-five hundred and sixty dollars.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

BROADWAY EXTENSION BRIDGE REPAIRS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to do something about the Broadway Extension Bridge as the present wooden surface causes automobiles to skid when the bridge is wet and many accidents have happened there recently.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION RE RECIPIENTS OF UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council hereby favors the enactment of legislation which will eliminate "chiselers" from the rolls of the Unemployment Compensation Department.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

INCREASED ASSESSMENTS BECAUSE OF PAINTING OR SHINGLING.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct the Board of Assessors that the painting or shingling of a house by the owner shall not be a cause for increasing the assessment on the property.

Objection being made to the immediate passage of the order, it was assigned to the next meeting by the Chair.

EXPRESSING THANKS TO MAXWELL B. GROSSMAN.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council on Monday, May 14, in meeting assembled, give praise to the Honorable Maxwell B. Grossman for his generous gift in the furnishings of the Jewish Chapel at the Boston City Hospital in memory of his late beloved parents, and; be it further

Resolved, That his gift will help provide the inspiration and religious comforts to those who will use the chapel and that this gift will serve as an everlasting tribute to the generosity and devotion of the Honorable Maxwell B. Grossman to the citizens of Boston.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

COPLEY SQUARE OPEN-AIR PARKING PROPOSAL.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Real Estate Commission be instructed, through his Honor the Mayor, to hold up on the Copley Square open-air parking proposal until the Boston Common garage question is settled, and if the Boston Common garage is built, it does not appear feasible that $1,250,000 be spent on the building of the open-air parking building at Copley square.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

RESURFACING OF CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Clement avenue, Meredith street, and Perham street, Ward 20, which are in poor condition.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

FLAGPOLE ON FALLON FIELD.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to take immediate steps to erect a flagpole on Fallon Field, Ward 20.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CONSTRUCTION OF SEWER ON WALNUT STREET, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to construct a sewer on Walnut street, Ward 20, to replace the present cesspools.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HOUSING.

Coun. P. A. TRACY, for the Committee on Public Housing, submitted the following:

Report on order (referred May 7) requesting Boston Housing Authority to set up policy on application for apartments in low-cost housing—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 7.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following.

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of the following streets in Ward 7:

Story street, Gates street, Mt. Vernon street, on the part which has not been finished.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PROPOSED RENT INCREASES IN HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. McCOLGAN and ANSEL offered the following.

Whereas, The proposed increase in rent in housing projects will cause unjust hardships; and

Whereas, The only remedy left for the tenants is time; and

Whereas, Members of the Legislature, Governor's Council, and other branches of the government have promised assistance with the Public Housing Authority and State Housing Board; be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in a meeting assembled, go on record as approving a delay of six weeks in the effective date of the proposed rent increases; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Boston Housing Authority.

On motion of Councilor Shanley the resolution was amended by striking out the words "six weeks" and inserting the words "three months."

The resolution as amended was adopted under suspension of the rules.

STREET SURFACE ON WASHINGTON STREET, BETWEEN EGLESTON SQUARE AND DUDLEY STREET.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following.

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to submit a report on the damage to the newly resurfaced sections of Washington street, between Dudley street and Egleston square, said report to set forth the methods whereby the street surface is to be restored to its former first-class condition.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT OF RENTALS IN PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. KINSELLA offered the following.

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor consult with the Housing officials relative to the possibility of adjusting the rentals of public housing developments to conform to the season of the year (from May 1 to September 1), said adjustment to be downward to the extent of the cost of certain utilities not supplied during the summer season.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF INTERSECTION IN HONOR OF ANGELO A. MACCARONE.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following.

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of Motte street and Harrison avenue, Ward 3, in honor of Angelo A. Maccarone, of the 577th Bombardier Squadron, 392d Bombing Group, who died in Germany on January 28, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 3.13 P.M., on motion of Councilor Farin, to meet on Monday, May 21, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, May 21, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Yerxa.

The Reverend Dr. Andrew Richards of the Second Church in Dorchester, Congregational, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. DR. ANDREW RICHARDS.

Eternal and Ever-Gracious God, our Eternal Father, Thou who rulest in equity and declarest righteous Judgment, look down upon the Council of this city legally convened with a spirit of accord, purity, and justice, that all false counsel and evil influences may be absent, that the service of the people may be directed with wisdom and integrity according to Thy will. So guide and prosper with Thy blessing whatsoever may be devised and ordered here that it may redound to the honor and welfare of this great city and the peace and prosperity of this Commonwealth, and to the glory of Thy Holy Name. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constables with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond for term ending April 30, 1952: Austin S. Gittens, 633 Shawmut avenue; Frederick Sturm, 139 Wellington street, Mattapan.

Measurer of Grain for term ending April 30, 1952: John J. Broughton, 344 Geneva avenue, Dorchester.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

UNUSED STREETCAR RAILS, CHARLESTOWN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 21, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the general manager of the Metropolitan Transit Authority relative to your order of April 9, 1951, requesting a consultation regarding the possibility of covering or removing the unused streetcar rails on Bunker Hill street and on Chelsea street, Charlestown.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
May 17, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of April 11, with order of the City Council regarding covering or removing the unused streetcar tracks on Bunker Hill street and on Chelsea street, Charlestown, we have no objection to these tracks being covered over by the city at such time as it proposes to resurface the roadways.

Yours very truly,
EDWARD DANA,
General Manager.

Placed on file.

NEW FENCING AT JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER SCHOOL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 21, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Acting Superintendent of Construction in the Department of School Buildings relative to your order of May 7, 1951, requesting the installation of about 60 feet of fencing on the side (east) of the John Greenleaf Whittier School lot.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Department of School Buildings,
May 14, 1951.

Mr. Thomas Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This will acknowledge your correspondence dated May 9, 1951, by which request of City Council for new fencing at the John Greenleaf Whittier School was referred to this office.

Please be advised that consideration has been given the request and erection of the fence has been ordered as of this date.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD M. O'FLAHERTY,
Acting Superintendent of Construction.

Placed on file.

PROCURING LAND OWNED BY RAILROAD AS PLAYGROUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 21, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of February 12, 1951, requesting a conference as to the possibilities of procuring the land owned by the railroad which is bounded by Bismarck street, Cummins Highway, and Greenfield road, and making it a play area for the children of that district.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, May 16, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting a conference as to the possibilities of procuring the land owned by the railroad (New York, New Haven & Hartford) which is bounded by Bismarck street, Cummins Highway, and Greenfield road, and making it a play area for the children of that district.

A communication from the railroad states that this land is presently being held pending whether or not the State Market Authority will require this area for a market location.

As the matter now stands the railroad is not in a position to inform this department whether it would be possible to obtain this land.

We are keeping this matter under consideration, and if at any time the land is free and clear then we might consider it for a playground.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

The New York, New Haven & Hartford
Railroad Company,
March 8, 1951.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of February 14, 1951, advising that the City Council requested the Mayor and the Park Commissioner of the City of Boston to confer with the New Haven Railroad as to the possibility of procuring railroad land between Greenfield road and Cummins Highway on Bismarck street, Boston, for use as a playground area.

We are presently holding this land for possible railroad use, pending the ascertaining of the full requirements of the State Market Authority for

a new market location on railroad property in the Southampton Street, Boston, area. Should the market be established in the Southampton Street area, it would undoubtedly involve substantial rehabilitation of railroad operating facilities together with railroad use of the Cummins Highway property.

Accordingly, at this time we would prefer not to consider use of the property as contemplated by the City Council, but if it develops that the land is not required for railroad use we shall be pleased to reconsider when the above-mentioned situation has cleared.

Very truly yours,
B. W. Thompson, Real Estate Agent.

Placed on file.

"SLOW" SIGNS AT INTERSECTIONS OF EAST EIGHTH STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 21, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of May 7, 1951, requesting the installation of "Slow" signs at the intersections of all streets leading into East Eighth street, Ward 7.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
May 14, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to the City Council order dated May 7, 1951, requesting the installation of "Slow" signs at the intersection of all streets leading into East Eighth street, Ward 7, I wish to report that this work will be completed within a few days.

Respectfully yours,
Wm. Arthur Reilly, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 21, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 7, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on West Seventh street, from F street to Dorchester avenue; on H street, from Broadway to East Second street; and on Emerson street, from Dorchester street to I street, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department.
May 14, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on West Seventh street, from F street to Dorchester avenue; on H street, from Broadway to East Second street, and on Emerson street, from Dorchester street to I street, Ward 6, and please be advised as follows:

West Seventh street, from F street to Dorchester avenue, will be placed on the list to be given consideration for the installation of cement sidewalks during the current year.

H street, from Broadway to East Second street, has been placed on the list to be given consideration for the installation of cement sidewalks during the current year.

Emerson street, from Dorchester street to I street, has been placed on the list to be given consideration for the installation of cement sidewalks during the current year.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

VETERANS' BURIAL LOT IN MOUNT HOPE CEMETERY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 21, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Soldiers' Relief Commissioner and the Director of Veterans' Services, in which he requests that your Honorable Body take action on the proposal to provide a suitable lot in Mount Hope Cemetery for the burial of all residents of Boston who shall have served in the active service of the armed forces of the United States on or after June 25, 1950.

This request is similar to ones made in 1920 and 1942 for veterans of World Wars I and II.

I respectfully request passage of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Department of Veterans' Services,
May 17, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Sir:

I have received the following order:

"Ordered, That the original order passed by the City Council on May 10, 1920, and amended on June 3, 1940, and November 9, 1942, authorizing the Board of Cemetery Trustees to set aside a suitable lot, now known as World War Veterans' Lot, in Mount Hope Cemetery, be herewith further amended, to include the burial of residents of Boston who are veterans of the Korean Expedition, and their dependents, in the same order of priority and under the same provisions as specified for veterans of World Wars I and II.

In City Council March 19, 1951. Passed.
Approved by the Mayor March 20, 1951.
Attest: W. J. Malloy,
City Clerk."

Under the state laws administered by this office relative to men in the service, there is no differentiation between those who actually served in Korea and those who are not in the theater of operations. Federal laws recently enacted have given the same benefits to veterans, and their dependents where the veteran has died, regardless of the place in which the veteran served. Veterans of World War I and World War II are eligible for burial whether or not their service was on foreign soil. The above order could be construed to limit burial to those who are actually serving in Korea, and, since the reference in the order is made to veterans of World War I and World War II, I felt that it was the intention of the order to regard all service in this time of emergency on the same basis as if war had actually been declared. In the event such is the intention, it would clarify and perfect it for administrative purposes if substitution was made for the words "are veterans of the Korean Expedition." In place thereof, insertion could be made of the following:

"Shall have served in the active service in the armed forces of the United States on or after June 25, 1950, and prior to such date as shall thereafter be determined by Presidential Proclamation or concurrent resolution of the Congress."

Respectfully,
Francis X. Cotter, Commissioner.

Ordered, That the original order passed by the City Council on May 10, 1920, and amended on June 3, 1940, November 9, 1942, and March 19, 1951, authorizing the Board of Cemetery Trustees to set aside a suitable lot, now known as World War Veterans' Lot, in Mount Hope Cemetery, be herewith further amended to include the burial of all residents of Boston who shall have served in the active service of the armed forces of the United States on or after June 25, 1950, or prior to said date as shall thereafter be determined by Presidential Proclamation or concurrent resolution of the Congress, and their dependents, in the same order of priority and under the same provisions as specified for veterans of World Wars I and II.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

May Bikofsky, for compensation for injuries and damages caused by an alleged defect at 480 Washington street.

James P. Carey, to be reimbursed for salary raise which he did not receive.

Margaret M. Crouin, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 10 Fenwick street, Roxbury.

Homelite Corporation, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Anthony LaBella, for compensation for damage to taxi caused by street-sweeping vehicle.

Joseph L. Lanata, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Margaret Lennon, for compensation for damage to dress caused by an alleged defect in City Hall Annex.

Mary F. Maguire, for compensation for damage to property at 50 Bonair street, West Roxbury, caused by backing up of sewage.

John J. McNamara, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Mary E. Moran, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Fields Corner.

Anthony Smeglin, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement:

Boston Music School, Brown Hall, May 27.

Esther Lyons, John Hancock Hall, May 29.

Katherine T. O'Gorman, New England Mutual Hall, May 22.

Mildred Sacco Palaza, John Hancock Hall, June 5, 6.

Rose E. Sidman, Jordan Hall, June 19.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred May 14) of James C. Ciampa as Weigher of Goods for term ending April 30, 1952—that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Kinsella and Bryan. Whole number of ballots 15, yeas 15, and the appointment was confirmed.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of the following, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved:

Howard P. Camden, Leo P. Conlan, James A. Hickey, Frank J. Macchia, Solomon Spack, Isaac S. Shulman.

NOTICES FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notices were received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearings to be held as follows:

Petition of Dedham and Hyde Park Gas Company on borrowing of money, to be held at hearing room of the department on May 23 at 10 A.M.

Rates and charges by the Boston Edison Company at hearing room of the department on June 7 at 10 A.M.

Severally placed on file.

NOTICE FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Works of hearing on May 23 at 2.30 P.M. on layout and order of taking for State Highway between Clinton and Commercial streets to Oliver street.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF TAKING.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Works of taking for proposed Boston Central Artery on westerly street line of Washington Street North, southeasterly from about 840 feet to the January 30, 1951, State Highway layout at Cross and Blackstone streets.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices were received from the Mayor of the following appointments:

Fred S. Crowther, 25 Miner street, member of Board of Zoning Adjustment for term ending April 30, 1956.

Patrick J. Desmond, 5 Richfield street, Mattapan, member of Board of Appeal for term ending April 30, 1954, vice A. Francis O'Toole, deceased.

Merton P. Ellis, 77 Summer street, member of Board of Appeal for term ending April 30, 1956.

Severally placed on file.

ORGANIZATION OF LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

Notice was received from the Trustees of the Public Library of organization of the board as follows: president, Mr. Lee M. Friedman; vice president, the Right Reverend Monsignor Robert H. Lord; clerk, Miss Elizabeth B. Brockunier.

Placed on file.

PAY RAISES TO TEMPORARY CITY EMPLOYEES.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to grant the $260 pay raise to all temporary city employees.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACTION OF HOUSING AUTHORITY ON RENT INCREASES.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Whereas, The announced rent increases to tenants in housing projects are of deep concern to hundreds of families throughout the city; and

Whereas, As a result of a hearing before the Housing Authority, tenants were led to believe that a decision would be reached by said Housing Authority in regard to a delay in rent increases; and

Whereas, This hearing was followed by a resolution unanimously adopted by this Body requesting a delay in rent increases; and

Whereas, A copy of this resolution was forwarded to the Boston Housing Authority; and

Whereas, No action has been taken by the Authority on this serious matter; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, go on record requesting immediate action by the Boston Housing Authority on the matter of rent increases; and be it further

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor request that the Boston Housing Authority release a statement relative to the action which was taken by them at their meeting on last Wednesday; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Boston Housing Authority.

Coun. SULLIVAN in the chair.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING OF BUNKER HILL AND CHELSEA STREETS.

Coun. KINSELLA offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works for the purpose of discussing the prospects of covering with suitable surfacing Bunker Hill street, Ward 2, and Chelsea street, from the Chelsea South Draw to the Chelsea up-ramp of the Mystic River Bridge at about Mt. Vernon street, Ward 2, the purpose being to cover the abandoned streetcar rails on both streets.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

INFORMATION FROM ELECTION COMMISSIONERS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Election Commissioners be requested to appear before the Executive Committee to inform the City Council as to their plans for the coming fall, particularly with reference to the dates of the primary and election, and also the date on which the nomination papers will be ready for distribution.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

OPENING OF PLAYGROUND ON ROXBURY AND KING STREETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to open up the playground which was established by the George Robert White Fund on Roxbury and King streets, Ward 9, and which has been closed for some time.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

REMOVAL OF TREE, SOUTH BOSTON.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the tree in front of 656 East Seventh street because said tree is ruining the foundation of a three-family house.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ARC LIGHT AT EAST FOURTH STREET AND LOCKE PLACE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place an arc light at the corner of East Fourth street and Locke place because of its present dangerous lighting.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

SIGN DESIGNATING LOCKE PLACE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a sign at the corner of East Fourth street and Locke place, Ward 6, designating said Locke place.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

CARTER FIELD IMPROVEMENTS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to roll the ground and place in proper condition the benches at Carter Field.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

PERMITS FOR CIRCUSES.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Licensing Division be instructed by his Honor the Mayor not to issue any future permits for circuses unless or until every man, woman, and child connected with said circus has been examined by doctors of the Health Department for social and other contagious diseases.
Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF CHARLES J. MASSE.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That the Mayor's Committee on the Dedication of Squares be directed to name the intersection of Quincy street and Dacia street, Ward 13, in honor of S 1-c Charles J. Masse, U.S.N., who laid down his life in the service of his country while attached to the U.S.S. "Ashuerwood."
Passed under suspension of the rules.

SIREN-EQUIPPED MOTOR VEHICLES.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Corporation Counsel to prepare a city ordinance to provide proper penalties for vehicular traffic which fails to stop and pull to the side of the road at the approach of a vehicle with a sounding siren.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

APPOINTMENT OF JOHN B. ANDOSCA, M.D.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, commend the Mayor and the Commissioner of Institutions on their appointment of John B. Andosca, M.D., as Superintendent of the Long Island Hospital.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

FRANKLIN FIELD HOUSING DEVELOPMENT.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Boston Housing Authority be requested to expedite the construction of the Franklin Field housing development and that the project be a two-story project.
Referred to the Committee on Public Housing.

ACCEPTANCE OF PRESTON COURT.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Board of Street Commissioners to accept Preston court in Ward 16 as a public highway.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSING FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby memorialize Congress to adopt H. R. 3880, without unit limitation, by making appropriations to permit a program of 75,000 units in the coming year, which is considered to be public housing's fair share of materials available to help meet civilian needs, and to favor passage of H. R. 3880 in such form as to permit construction of at least 75,000 homes for low-income families in the fiscal year 1952, under the terms of the Housing Act of 1949.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

BASEBALL DIAMONDS IN FRANKLIN PARK PLAYSTEAD.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor require the Park Commissioner to repair and lay out two baseball diamonds in the Playstead in Franklin Park.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

FILM AT KEITH MEMORIAL THEATRE.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Whereas, Recent investigations throughout the nation have revealed a tremendous increase in the vicious drug traffic among the youth of high school age; and

Whereas, The cooperation of all agencies, both public and private, is required in order to bring those responsible for such crimes to task; and

Whereas, Censorship of the movies is a matter which should be determined by experts qualified in that field; nevertheless, be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby records itself in favor of requesting the officials of the Keith Memorial Theatre of Boston to re-examine the moral implications involved in the projected showing of a film in which one of the principals is being publicized in a manner which defeats the program developed by decent-minded citizens to protect the youth of America from being ensnared in the mire of this evil; and be it further

Resolved, That the Boston City Council request his Honor the Mayor to confer with the officials of this theater, not for the purpose of censoring said film, but to advise them of their failure to cooperate with the program designed to bring this problem under control; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the officials of the Keith Memorial Theatre.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

COOPERATION WITH PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Whereas, We the people of these great United States of America are faced with and are in fact in the embryonic stage of a grave international situation imperiling our life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness; and

Whereas, Such a situation calls for the full co-operation of each and every man, woman, and child, regardless of race, color, creed, or political affiliation; and

Whereas, Some selfish-minded individuals grasping at straws are attempting to create political issues out of foreign policy decisions; and

Whereas, Such attempts are imperiling our national security; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, goes on record urging full cooperation with our President in this hour of emergency; and be it further

Resolved, That this Body condemns the action of individuals, both in and out of political life, who are trying to use this emergency to further their own selfish interests and thereby imperiling our national security; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the President of the United States and both branches of Congress.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

ORDINANCE RE OPERATION OF HACKNEY CARRIAGES, ETC.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordinance.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows.

No person, firm, or corporation shall operate a hackney carriage or other vehicle for the purpose of engaging in the business of transporting, soliciting, and/or picking up a passenger or passengers for hire within the limits of the city of Boston unless licensed thereto by the police commissioner of the city of Boston.

Whoever violates any provision of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine not to exceed twenty dollars ($20) for each offense.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

NAMING OF INTERSECTION IN HONOR OF SERGT. HAROLD OLIVER.

Coun. LANIGAN and CHASE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of Clarendon and Tremont streets, Ward 4, in honor of Sergt. Harold Oliver, of the 30th Division Artillery, who was killed in action on July 14, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

1. Report on ordinance (referred May 14) concerning salaries of officers of the City Council — that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; said ordinance passed.

CLEANING OF STREETS, WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to clean the streets in Ward 17, particularly in the business sections.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PAINTING OF CROSSWALKS, ETC., WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to paint all the crosswalks and parking spaces in Ward 17, particularly in the business sections of the ward.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING ON BALDWIN PLACE AND HARVARD PLACE.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Public Works Lighting Division to install electric lights on Baldwin place and Harvard place, Ward 22.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

FENCE ALONG RAILROAD TRACKS AT JOHNSON TERRACE.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company be requested to immediately install a fence along the railroad tracks facing Johnson terrace.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Wenzler the Council voted to take a recess at 3.05 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by Chairman SULLIVAN at 3.40 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) re provision of suitable lot in Mount Hope Cemetery for the burial of all Boston residents who have served in active service of the armed forces of the United States on or after June 25, 1950—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on ordinance (referred today) concerning licensing of hackney carriages and other vehicles—recommending adoption of ordinance in following new draft, viz.:

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-one.

An Ordinance.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

Chapter 40 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by inserting the following new section:

SECT. 62A. No person, firm, or corporation shall operate a hackney carriage or other vehicle for the purpose of engaging in the business of transporting, soliciting, and/or picking up a passenger or passengers for hire within the limits of the city of Boston unless licensed thereto by the police commissioner of the city of Boston.

The report was accepted, and the new draft of the ordinance was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. McCOLGAN, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of James M. Kelly (referred April 2) for reimbursement as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as member of Boston Police Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two thousand five hundred sixty-eight dollars and eighty-eight cents ($2,568.88) be allowed and paid to James M. Kelly in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of Daniel P. McLaughlin (referred February 5) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as member of Fire Department — recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000) be allowed and paid to Daniel P. McLaughlin in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

Adjourned at 3.43 P.M., on motion of Councilor P. A. Tracy, to meet on Monday, May 28, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, May 28, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Lane and McCormack.

The Reverend Richard H. Hichens of St. Angela's Roman Catholic Church, Mattapan, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. RICHARD H. HICHENS.

We are come, O God the Holy Ghost, we are come before Thee, hindered indeed by our many and grievous sins, but especially gathered together in Thy Name. Come unto us and be with us; vouchsafe to enter our hearts; teach us what we are to do and whither we ought to tend; show us what we must accomplish, in order that, with Thy help, we may be able to please Thee in all things. Be Thou alone the Author and the Finisher of our judgments, who alone with God the Father and His Son dost possess a glorious Name.

Suffer us not to disturb the order of justice, Thou who lovest equity above all things; let not ignorance draw us into devious paths, nor partiality sway our minds, neither let respect of riches or persons pervert our judgment; but unite us to Thee effectually by the gift of Thine only grace, that we may be one in Thee and may never forsake the truth; inasmuch as we are gathered together in Thy Name, so may we in all things hold fast to justice tempered by pity, that so in this life our judgment may in no wise be at variance with Thee and in the life to come we may attain to everlasting rewards for deeds well done. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

PAINTING OF CROSSWALKS AND PARKING SPACES, WARD 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 28, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of May 21, 1951, requesting that all the crosswalks and parking spaces be painted in Ward 17, particularly in the business sections.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
May 24, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order of May 21, 1951, Requesting the Painting of All Crosswalks and Parking Spaces in Ward 17, Particularly in the Business Sections of the Ward.

Dear Sir:

I wish to report that part of Ward 17 has already been painted, and that the entire ward will be completed within the next few days.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING OF CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 28, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 14, 1951, requesting the resurfacing of Clement avenue, Meredith street, and Perham street, Ward 20, which are in poor condition.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 21, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface Clement avenue, Meredith street, and Perham street, Ward 20, which are in poor condition, and please be advised as follows:

Clement avenue has been placed on the list to be given consideration for reconstruction during the current season.

Perham street is in the same category as Clement avenue.

Meredith street is already on the list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the current season.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 7.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 28, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 14, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Story street and Gates street, and on Mt. Vernon street, on the part that has not been finished.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 21, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of the following streets in Ward 7: Story street; Gates street; Mt. Vernon street, on the part which has not been finished.

Please be advised as follows:

Story and Gates streets are on the list of streets to be given consideration for the installation of granolithic sidewalks during the current year, and Mt. Vernon street will also be placed on this list.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF TREE, SOUTH BOSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 28, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of May 21, 1951, concerning the request for the removal of the tree in front of 656 East Seventh street, South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, May 25, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order dated May 21, requesting the removal of the tree in front of 656 East Seventh street, South Boston.

According to Councilor Wenzler's order the tree is interfering with the foundation of a three-family house.

I have ordered the general foreman of the Tree Division to make an immediate examination of this tree.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

BASEBALL DIAMONDS IN FRANKLIN PARK PLAYSTEAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 28, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of May 21, 1951, concerning the repair and layout of two baseball diamonds in the Playstead in Franklin Park.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, May 25, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting the repair and layout of two baseball diamonds in the Playstead in Franklin Park.

This is to inform Councilor Tracy that we are endeavoring to develop and lay out the diamonds in the Playstead area.

This matter had been planned by the engineering force of this department in our 1951 program.

The work is now being done.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

USE OF SCHOOLS FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 28, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Superintendent of Public Schools relative to your order of November 20, 1950, requesting an immediate study of the advisability of opening up two school buildings in Ward 14 and throughout the city for the purpose of immediately inaugurating club programs and other such activities that will serve the social and recreational needs of the youngsters of our city.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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The School Committee of
the City of Boston,
May 18, 1951.

Mr. Walter J. Malloy,
City Clerk.
Dear Mr. Malloy:

Thank you for forwarding to me a copy of the order of the City Council requesting the members of the Boston School Committee "to immediately study the advisability of opening up two school buildings in Ward 14 and throughout the city for the purpose of immediately inaugurating club programs and other such activities that will serve the social and recreational needs of the youngsters of our city."

No duly sponsored group has been refused available school facilities since the opening of the schools in September, 1950. This is in keeping with our regular custom of co-operating at all times with such civic groups.

The following school buildings in Ward 14 are being used for social and recreational activities on a regular schedule during the school year 1950-51:

Jeremiah E. Burke High School, Monday and Wednesday evenings.

Solomon Lewenberg, Monday evenings.

Patrick T. Campbell, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday evenings.

Sarah Greenwood, three afternoons a week.

Pauline A. Shaw, three afternoons a week.

Charles Logue, three afternoons a week.

In addition, these and other school buildings in Ward 14 are being used on specific nights by civic or social groups. Similar conditions regarding occupancy of school buildings, on a regular schedule and for specific nights, exist throughout the city.

If there are any civic or social groups in Ward 14 who wish to use available school facilities, we assure you of our co-operation.

For the information of the members of the City Council, I am pleased to enclose a list of our Boston public evening schools, sessions on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, seven to ten o'clock, subjects as listed. Also enclosed is a list of the Boston school centers, in session from seven to ten o'clock, two evenings a week.

Very truly yours,
DENNIS C. HALEY,
Superintendent of Public Schools.

Placed on file.

REVOCATION OF PERMIT AT 81 WESTMINSTER AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 28, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Building Commissioner relative to your order of May 7, 1951, requesting that the permit be revoked that was granted on April 13, 1951, allowing the occupancy of 81 Westminster avenue (also known as 317 Walnut avenue rear) as an office warehouse and painting contractor's shop.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Building Department, May 18, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston,
Dear Mr. Mayor:

In answer to the order of the City Council dated May 7, 1951, concerning premises at 81 Westminster avenue, also known as 317 Walnut avenue rear, Ward 12, I report as follows:

The building in question is more than fifty years old. It was erected presumably as a barn or carriage house and lies in the rear of the premises at 317 Walnut avenue. There is no record in this department which would indicate the age of the building. The atlases, however, show that as far back as 1919 it was used as a "workshop."

On August 4, 1949, an application was made by J. Arthur Montgomery, the then owner, for permission to change the occupancy from workshop to "office and warehouse — painting contractor." This permit was granted on August 16, 1949.

Since the erection of the building and its use as a workshop obviously antedated the passage of the Zoning Act, the then Building Commissioner had authority to grant such a permit.

On April 2, 1951, an application was filed by Charles Costa, manager, Aero Painting Company, for a permit for the same occupancy. Mr. Costa, however, preferred that the premises be numbered 81 Westminster avenue, which number was certified by the Street Numbering Department. In view of the action of my predecessor, I had no option but to grant the permit, and this was done on April 13, 1951.

I have viewed the premises and find no evidence that it is being used for any purpose contrary to that which has been approved by this department. Consequently, I have no authority to revoke the permit.

Very truly yours,
HARRY J. KEEFE,
Building Commissioner.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF INTERSECTIONS IN HONOR OF WORLD WAR II VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 28, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith four orders for the naming of various intersections in the city in honor of veterans of World War II who were killed in action.

The Committee to Memorialize Veterans, after due consideration, has recommended the naming of the various sites as set forth in the accompanying orders.

I recommend that your Honorable Body give approval to the accompanying orders.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of East Lenox and Reed streets, Ward 8, be named Gaetano Carusone Square, in honor of Gaetano Carusone, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Motte street and Harrison avenue, Ward 3, be named Angelo A. Maccarone Square, in honor of Angelo A. Maccarone, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Quincy and Dacia streets, Ward 13, be named Charles J. Masse Square, in honor of Charles J. Masse, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Clarendon and Tremont streets, Ward 4, be named Harold B. Oliver Square, in honor of Harold B. Oliver, late veteran of World War II.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICIALS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 28, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am forwarding herewith an ordinance increasing the compensation of the heads of departments and other employees whose salaries are established under section 5 of chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, in order that these officials shall be given the increase already provided for the other city employees.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-one.

An Ordinance
Concerning the Salaries of Certain Officials.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by striking out section 5, as amended, and inserting in place thereof the following: SECTION 5. The following-named officers shall, while in the service of the city, receive the following salaries yearly, and proportionally for any portion of the year, which shall, unless otherwise provided by ordinance, be in full for all services which such officers are authorized or required by statute or ordinance to perform, and shall be subject to the deduction of any and all sums due to the city from such officers. They shall receive as such salaries:

The mayor, twenty thousand dollars.

The members of the city council—the president, thirty-five hundred dollars, and each of the other members, three thousand dollars.

The assessors—the chairman, eight thousand dollars; each of the four principal assessors, sixty-five hundred dollars; each of the five deputy assessors, six thousand dollars; each first assistant assessor, fifteen hundred dollars for street work and preparation therefor, and seventeen hundred and sixty dollars for services on dooming board and work on abatements and investigations.

The budget commissioner, seventy-seven hundred and sixty dollars.

The building commissioner, ninety-two hundred and sixty dollars.

The city auditor—auditor, eighty-six hundred and sixty dollars; secretary of sinking funds commissioners, seven hundred dollars; county auditor, nine hundred dollars. Total, ten thousand two hundred and sixty dollars.

The city clerk, eighty-two hundred and sixty dollars, and the assistant city clerk, not more than sixty-two hundred and sixty dollars.

The city collector, eighty-seven hundred and sixty dollars.

The city registrar, sixty-seven hundred and sixty dollars.

The city treasurer—treasurer, seventy-six hundred and sixty dollars; treasurer of sinking funds commissioners, seven hundred dollars; county treasurer, nine hundred dollars. Total, ninety-two hundred and sixty dollars.

The corporation counsel, ten thousand seven hundred and sixty dollars.

The election commissioners—the chairman, seventy-seven hundred and sixty dollars; the other three commissioners, each sixty-seven hundred and sixty dollars.

The fire commissioner, ninety-seven hundred and sixty dollars.

The health commissioner, ninety-two hundred and sixty dollars.

The institutions commissioner, eighty-two hundred and sixty dollars.

The chairman of the park commission, eighty-seven hundred and sixty dollars.

The penal institutions commissioner, seventy-two hundred and sixty dollars.

The public works commissioner, ninety-seven hundred and sixty dollars; the engineer in charge of the water division and the engineer in charge of the bridge and highway division, each not more than seventy-nine hundred and sixty dollars, and the engineers in charge of the other divisions, each not more than seventy-two hundred and sixty dollars.

The sealer of weights and measures, fifty-seven hundred and sixty dollars; the chief deputy sealer, such salary, not exceeding four thousand and sixty dollars, and the other deputy sealers, such salary, not exceeding thirty-eight hundred and sixty dollars, as may be fixed by the sealer of weights and measures with the approval of the mayor.

The director of veterans' services and soldiers' relief commissioner, seventy-two hundred and sixty dollars.

The chairman of the statistics trustees, forty-seven hundred and sixty dollars.

The street commissioners—the chairman, seventy-seven hundred and sixty dollars, and the other two commissioners, each sixty-seven hundred and sixty dollars.

The superintendent of printing, eighty-two hundred and sixty dollars.

The superintendent of public buildings, seventy-two hundred and sixty dollars.

The superintendent of supplies, eighty-two hundred and sixty dollars.

The chairman of the traffic commission, eighty-two hundred and sixty dollars.

The officers connected with the city council—the clerk of committees, seven thousand and sixty dollars; the assistant clerk of committees, fifty-four hundred and sixty dollars; two secretaries, each thirty-eight hundred and sixty dollars; the city messenger, seven thousand and sixty dollars; the first assistant city messenger, forty-eight hundred and sixty dollars; the second assistant city messenger, thirty-eight hundred and sixty dollars; two stenographer-clerks, each thirty-five hundred and sixty dollars; the document man, forty-three hundred and sixty dollars; the assistant document man, thirty-five hundred and sixty dollars.

SECT. 2. Chapter 2 of the Ordinances of 1951 is hereby repealed as of its effective date.

SECT. 3. Section 1 of this ordinance shall take effect on June 6, 1951. This section and section 2 of this ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO FINANCE COMMISSION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 28, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

In a report issued under date of April 27, the Finance Commission revealed the "confusion" which exists at the present time in the School Department with regard to the custodial service. The report pointed out that, while, since 1944, 27 schools had been closed, the school population has dropped from approximately 100,000 to approximately 90,000, and while there are 400 vacant classrooms in the school system, the amount appropriated for the salaries of custodians has jumped from slightly over $1,000,000 to sub-

stantially more than $2,000,000 in the same period. It also indicated that since 150 additional custodians have been added to the payroll following the establishment of a 40-hour work week, the work-load is unequally distributed, responsibility is more scattered than ever before, and "the cost of custodial service has reached a figure which is regarded by many conversant with the needs of the service to be scandalous." The report recommended that an intensive study of the custodial manpower requirements of the Boston schools be made and that a special appropriation of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) be provided for this purpose.

Under date of May 2 I directed the report to the attention of the School Committee, indicating that I agreed with the Finance Commission that in order to secure an intelligent answer to the custodial problem there must first be a comprehensive investigation of the whole situation, and that I was willing to provide a special appropriation for this purpose. To date I have received no official reply to this offer, but I am advised that individually the members of the School Committee look with favor on the proposal. It would seem desirable that the findings of the proposed study should be available before the beginning of the next school year. In my opinion, therefore, an appropriation should be made available in order that the investigation may be started forthwith. In sponsoring the study, it is my intention to be fair to all parties at interest. It is my sole concern to see that the number of custodians needed in the schoolhouses of the city be determined scientifically and definitely and that a pay schedule be established which will be equitable both to custodians and to the city. To this end, I submit herewith a transfer order providing that a special appropriation in the amount of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) be made available to the Finance Commission, the body established under the provisions of the City Charter to investigate matters relating to expenditures and methods of administration affecting the City of Boston. I respectfully recommend adoption of this order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Unclassified, 33-73, Reserve Fund, $10,000, to the appropriation for General Government, 01–93, Finance Commission 2, Contractual Services, $10,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Abraham G. Belofsky, for compensation for damage to car by car of Public Works Department.

Helga O. Benson, for compensation for damage to property at 66 Bateman street, caused during sidewalk construction.

Marie I. Cahill, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Mary Carapellucci, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 138 Merrimac street.

Gaetano DelloRusso, for compensation for damage to property at 142 Gove street, East Boston, caused by leak in water main.

Rose A. Devine, for compensation for damage to property at 29 Blake street, during sidewalk construction.

Edward F. Donahue, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Marjorie A. Hopkins, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Beacon street and Massachusetts avenue.

B. Kupperstein, doing business as Nelson Pharmacy, for compensation for damage to property at 306 Norfolk street, Dorchester, by city car.

Dorothy E. Ludwig, for compensation for damage to car by street-sweeping vehicle.

Delia McDonald, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 10 Stockton street.

Marie McGrath, for compensation for damage to skirt caused by an alleged defect at City Hall Annex.

W. H. McMahon, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John J. Roche Company, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Kenneth D. Stuart, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Boston City Hospital.

Ruth T. Thompson, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in City Hall avenue.

Madeline Twomey, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Tremont street.

Joseph Wilson, for compensation for damage to car by car of Public Works Department.

Charles Goldberg, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Public Works Department.

John J. Brown, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Fire Department.

Executive Committee.

Petition of Sarah J. Duffy to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, Patrick S. Duffy, late member of Police Department.

Petition of Anna M. Donovan to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, Michael J. Donovan, late member of the Fire Department.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Frank A. Roche, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved.

NOTICE FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Notice was received from the State Public Works Department of alteration of section of state highway at two places on southerly side thereof between Willard street and Minot street and re-establishing a portion of the southeasterly location line of said April 17, 1951, layout.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Housing Board of approval of expenditures by the Boston Housing Authority as follows: Architectural services at the Morton Street and Lennoco Road Project, West Roxbury, in amount not to exceed $85,962; acquisition of site of Morton Street and Lennoco Road Project, West Roxbury, amount in excess of $1,000.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF JOHN R. LYNCH.

Notice was received from the Sealer of Weights and Measures of the appointment of John R. Lynch, 73 Birch street, Boston, as Deputy Sealer of Weights and Measures, effective May 2, 1951, at salary of $2,800 a year.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from Merton P. Ellis, member of Board of Appeal, of award of contract to him by Library Department.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred May 21) of Frederick Sturn and Austin S. Gittens as constables with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1952 — that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred May 21) of John J. Broughton as Measurer of Grain for term ending April 30, 1952 — that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Beades and Bryan. Whole number of ballots 12, yeas 12, and the appointments were confirmed.

APPROPRIATION FOR SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

A communication was received from Dennis C. Haley, Superintendent of Public Schools, urging that favorable action be taken as soon as possible on appropriation of $1,000,000 for general school purposes, as salary increases authorized by the Mayor should become effective in many cases on June 1.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

RESCISSION OF ORDER NAMING SQUARE FOR GAETANO CARUSONE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the order passed by the City Council on May 7, 1951, and approved by the Mayor on May 8, 1951, naming the space at the junction of Thorndike street and Harrison avenue, Ward 8, in honor of Gaetano Carusone, be, and hereby is, rescinded.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

LEGISLATION RE MTA DEFICIT.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Whereas, It appears from reliable estimates that the Metropolitan Transit Authority deficit for 1951 will amount to approximately $7,200,000, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston to meet forthwith with the city solicitors and town counsel of the thirteen other cities and towns serviced by the Metropolitan Transit Authority, for the purpose of drafting legislation to be introduced to the present State Legislature, so that this huge deficit will not be borne, in the nature of increased real estate taxes, by small home owners in their respective cities and towns.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SUNDAY BAND CONCERTS AT FRANKLIN PARK.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Public Celebrations Department, in cooperation with the Park Department, to arrange for Sunday afternoon band concerts at Franklin Park during June, July, and August, 1951.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY TAX RELIEF, ETC.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the President of the Boston City Council be requested to appoint a committee of five City Councilors to study a plan for the elimination of unjustifiable tax levies, and to further devise plans for encouraging new industries in Boston and to draft a plan for tax relief from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Objection being made to the immediate passage of the order, it was assigned to the next meeting by the Chair.

GASOLINE STATION PERMITS.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor instruct the Board of Street Commissioners to immediately take steps to place a one-year restriction on the granting of gasoline station permits by their department, in compliance with chapter 329 of the General Laws, which was amended in the first paragraph of section 13 of chapter 148 and in section 27 of chapter 550 of the Acts of 1948, and which was further amended on May 19 of this year.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REMOVAL OF CERTAIN PARKING METERS.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have his engineers study the feasibility of removing several parking meters, beginning from Moultrie street on one side of Southern avenue on the other side of the street going towards Codman square, and replacing "No Parking" signs on said street. The reason for this request is to prevent the buses from hitting cars and pedestrians as they try to make this very narrow corner.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put granolithic sidewalks, or replace said sidewalks with black top in the event that concrete is not available, starting from the corner of Allston and Mather streets on the left-hand side, going down towards Dorchester avenue.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PLANTING OF TREES, WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put trees on Galty avenue, Regan road, and Mercier avenue, Ward 17.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ADDITIONAL CLERICAL HELP, PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to have Mr. O'Hare of the Public Welfare Department put more help in the clerical division at Glenway street. Said help is needed in all departments.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

"STOP" SIGNS AT WARREN STREET INTERSECTIONS.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place "Stop" signs at the corners of Elm Hill avenue and Warren street, and Waumbeck street and Warren street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON VINTON STREET.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Vinton street, Ward 7.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF HOWE AVENUE.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Howe avenue, Ward 7, as a public way.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ERECTION OF FENCE AT BOSTON STREET, WARD 7.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to contact the proper official of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad and request that they erect a fence along their right of way at Boston street, Ward 7, so that the children in the neighborhood will be protected.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

COMMENDING BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:
Resolved, That the Boston City Council go on record as congratulating the Boston Housing Authority for their co-operation with members of the City Council and State Legislature in delaying the rent increases in the various projects for one month.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

REPAIR OF SIDEWALK, GREENVILLE AND DUDLEY STREETS.

Coun. COOK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair the broken granolithic sidewalk on the southwest corner of Greenville and Dudley streets, Roxbury, which was caused by the tree at that location.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

GRANOLITHIC SURFACE AT EAST FOURTH AND K STREETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a granolithic surface over the empty tree space on the southwest corner of East Fourth and K streets, Ward 6.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON WEST SECOND STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on West Second street, from Dorchester street to Dorchester avenue.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON EAST THIRD STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on East Third street, between N street and Farragut road in Ward 6.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

PURCHASE OF BOSTON & ALBANY RAILROAD PROPERTY IN BACK BAY.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor consult with the various life insurance companies with a view to interesting them in purchasing the Boston & Albany property in Ward 4, in the Back Bay, for private housing development.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

BLASTING OPERATIONS IN WEST ROXBURY.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Fire Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to transfer Chief Montgomery from the Fire Prevention Bureau due to negligence in the performance of his duties, particularly in regard to blasting operations carried on by the West Roxbury Trap Rock Company, concerning which complaints have been made to said Chief Montgomery by public officials, property owners, and residents in the neighborhood during the past two and one-half years, but without result.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

ROPING OFF STREETS FOR DORCHESTER DAY ROAD RACE.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized to rope off the street in front of the James Monroe Club at Bowdoin and Hendry streets, Ward 15, in connection with the Dorchester Day Road Race on Saturday, June 2, 1951, and that the expense of same be charged to the appropriation for Flags, Ropes and Stakes.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

BOSTON & ALBANY RAILROAD LAND.

Coun HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor appoint a committee, consisting of the President of the Chamber of Commerce, the head of the Retail Board of Trade, the editors of the various Boston papers, two members of the Boston City Council, and three members of the Mayor's choice, to negotiate with the Boston & Albany Railroad and try to reach some decision as to what use may be made of the railroad land on Boylston street in the best interests of the citizenry of Boston.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPAIRING OF TREE, WARD 13.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Park Commissioner to make proper repairs to the tree in the sidewalk in front of 88 Magnolia street, Ward 13.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION RE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby favors the enactment of Senate Bill No. 659, the so-called Christopher Phillips Bill, as a means of protecting the State Unemployment Compensation Fund from raids by so-called "chiselers."
Referred to the Committee on Legislative Matters.
Later in the session on motion of Councilor Wenzler the order was recalled from the Committee on Legislative Matters.
On motion of Councilor Kinsella the order was rejected.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Beades the Council voted at 3.14 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President HURLEY at 5.04 P.M.

CERTAIN INCREASED REALTY ASSESSMENTS.

President HURLEY called up No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:
1. Order to instruct Board of Assessors not to increase assessments where minor repairs to realty have been made.
On motion of Councilor Cook the order was referred to the Committee on Rules.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred today) that order passed May 7, naming junction of Thornton street and Harrison avenue in honor of Gaetano Carusone, be rescinded — that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and four orders (referred today) naming certain intersections in honor of veterans of World War II— that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

3. Report on order (referred today) that Commissioner of Public Works repair broken granolithic sidewalk at corner of Greenville and Dudley streets — that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

4. Report on petition of Mabel R. B. Cresey (referred May 14) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Theodore P. Cresey, late member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of following order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Mabel R. B. Cresey, widow of Theodore P. Cresey, a member of the Fire Department who died on May 2, 1951, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty, said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Report on petition of Josephine E. Brennan (referred February 26) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Robert F. Brennan, late member of the Fire Department— recommending passage of the following order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Josephine E. Brennan, widow of Robert F. Brennan, a member of the Fire Department who died on February 6, 1951, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty, said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Report on petition of Mary C. Mulvey (referred December 11, 1950) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Thomas H. Mulvey, late member of the Police Department— recommending passage of the following order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of eighteen hundred and twelve dollars be allowed and paid to Mary C. Mulvey, widow of Thomas H. Mulvey, a member of the Police Department who died on November 18, 1950, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity being made up of allowances as follows:

For the widow, Mary C. Mulvey, so long as she remains unmarried, $1,500 per annum.

For the following-named child, $312 per annum, provided that it is determined by the City Auditor that said child is physically incapacitated for earning, and said payment to continue so long as said physical incapacity continues:

Joseph P. Mulvey, born December 12, 1930;

provided, however, that if the widow remarries, the annuity for said child shall be $520 during the remainder of the time aforesaid; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor and to be charged to the appropriation for Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Report on petition of Gladys I. Murphy (referred April 30) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Carroll S. Murphy, late member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of the following order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of two thousand one hundred and twenty-four dollars be allowed and paid to Gladys I. Murphy, widow of Carroll S. Murphy, a member of the Fire Department who died on April 19, 1951, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity being made up of allowances as follows;

For the widow, Gladys I. Murphy, so long as she remains unmarried, $1,500 per annum.

For each of the following-named children, during such time as he or she is under the age of eighteen or over said age and physically or mentally incapacitated for earning, $312 per annum:

Carroll S. Murphy, Jr., born July 15, 1933;
Marion I. Murphy, born October 8, 1936;

provided, however, that if the widow remarries, the annuity for each of the said children shall be $520 during the remainder of the time aforesaid; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

5. Report on message of Mayor and ordinance (referred today) concerning salaries of certain officials — recommending reference of the ordinance to the Committee on Ordinances.

The report was accepted, and the ordinance was referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

REPAIRS AT COLUMBUS PARK AND STADIUM.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair the backstops at Columbus Park, particularly the one in the center, and also to replace the broken seats in Columbus Stadium, South Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SUBMISSION OF NEW FIRE CODE.

Coun. BEADES and RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately submit to the City Council the proposed new fire code in order that the Council may take proper action on the matter.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INFORMATION RE OPEN-AIR PARKING SPACES, ETC.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to appear before the City Council with a list of all open-air parking spaces under the jurisdiction of the City of Boston, and that an investigation be made by this Board as to the many violations presently being perpetrated, and that the licenses of the violators coming under the jurisdiction of the Board of Street Commissioners be revoked.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

Adjourned at 5.45 P.M., on motion of Councilor Ramsey, to meet on Monday, June 4, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, June 4, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., Councilor WENZLER, senior member, presiding. Absent, Councilors Hurley, Kinsella, and P. A. Tracy.

The Reverend John L. Parsons of St. Thomas Aquinas Roman Catholic Church, Jamaica Plain, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. JOHN L. PARSONS.

Let us pray. O God, our Heavenly Father, bless, we beseech Thee, these councilors of the City of Boston. Illumine their minds to know truth. Fill their hearts with love of their fellow men. Strengthen their will to do right and justice. Let bias, hatred, and prejudice be absent from their deliberations. Bless, we beseech Thee, this Council Chamber and drive far from it all stains of evil spirit. Let Thy holy angels dwell therein and may Thy blessing be always upon us, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn, in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Farin presiding at the box, in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Twenty-two grand jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear July 2, 1951:

Harry A. Robinson, Ward 5; Ralph L. Stapleton, Ward 5; Thomas J. Carter, Ward 7; William T. Coleman, Ward 7; James A. Smith, Ward 9; Raymond F. Irwin, Ward 10; Michael J. Keaveney, Ward 11; Allen J. Hardwick, Ward 12; George E. Clark, Ward 13; Joseph P. Hession, Ward 14; Philip M. Hirsch, Ward 14; David G. Kaplan, Ward 14; Bernard C. Collins, Ward 16; Ralph W. Harvey, Ward 17; Rufus G. Pendleton, Ward 17; Harold J. Rowen, Ward 17; Henry M. Bennett, Ward 18; William P. Colella, Ward 18; Archibald C. Caino, Ward 21; John J. Doran, Jr., Ward 22; Herbert W. Knowles, Ward 22; William J. Thomas, Ward 22.

Fifty-two traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear July 2, 1951:

Albert D'India, Ward 1; James B. Keller, Ward 1; Paul Licciardi, Ward 1; Herman J. Massaro, Ward 1; William P. Roche, Ward 1; Robert A. Stasio, Ward 1; William J. Constantine, Ward 2; Michael W. Cieri, Ward 3; Roger B. Maxwell, Ward 4; Charles J. Gaul, Ward 5; Jeremiah A. McGillicuddy, Ward 5; Jacob Rotman, Ward 5; Harrison Schock, Ward 5; Alfred Severi, Ward 6; George J. Bishop, Ward 7; Robert F. Burns, Ward 7; John P. Tumas, Ward 7; Roger W. Dennehey, Ward 8; Samuel W. Kirby, Ward 8; George W. Rivers, Ward 9; Fred J. Gibney, Ward 11; Michael J. O'Halloran, Ward 11; Joseph S. Halbert, Ward 12; Ernest E. Russell, Ward 12; Frank P. Adams, Ward 13; Abraham L. Davin, Ward 14; Walter J. Kelley, Ward 14; Samuel Snyder, Ward 14; Daniel F. Keeffe, Ward 15; William B. Dinsmore, Ward 16; John E. Fleming, Ward 16; Edward McCann, Ward 16; Daniel J. Carney, Ward 17; Joseph Hyman, Ward 17; Joseph E. MacDonald, Ward 17; Colin McLean, Ward 17; John O'Donovan, Ward 17; Joseph M. Ryan, Ward 17; Ralph F. Hilehey, Ward 18; Joseph N. McPhee, Ward 18; John J. O'Donnell, Ward 18; Henry A. Blase, Ward 19; John J. Carty, Ward 19; William M. McMorrow, Jr., Ward 19; Thomas V. Moss, Ward 20; Joseph DeCosta, Ward 21; George N. Hoffman, Ward 21; Joseph L. Munz, Ward 21; Douglas J. Bernard, Ward 22; Hanson H. Curtis, Jr., Ward 22; John F. Donnelly, Ward 22; Daniel E. MacDonald, Ward 22.

USE OF SCHOOLBOY STADIUM BY CERTAIN VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 4, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the secretary pro tempore to the School Committee, relative to your order of January 15, 1951, requesting the use of the George Robert White Fund Schoolboy Stadium at a fixed fee by certain veterans' organizations.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
School Committee, May 28, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

The School Committee in conference considered the order passed by the City Council on January 15, 1951, regarding the use of the George Robert White Fund Schoolboy Stadium at a fixed fee by certain veterans' organizations.

The School Committee is informed by the Corporation Counsel that the bequest of the George Robert White Fund makes it impossible to act favorably on the suggestion of the City Council.

Very truly yours,
AGNES E. REYNOLDS,
Secretary pro tempore.

Placed on file.

DRIVEWAY PERMITS AT 81 WESTMINSTER AVENUE, ROXBURY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 4, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 7, 1951, requesting that any permits issued for driveway openings, etc., leading to 81 Westminster avenue, Roxbury, be revoked.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 31, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of May 7:

"Whereas, The vicinity of Westminster avenue and Walnut avenue, in the Roxbury district of Boston, is a residential area; and

"Whereas, The erection of an office warehouse and painting contractor's shop at 81 Westminster avenue is a nonconforming use which will be most detrimental and injurious to the neighborhood; therefore be it

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Building Commissioner to revoke the permit granted on April 13, 1951, allowing the occupancy of 81 Westminster avenue (also known as 317 Walnut avenue rear) as an office warehouse and painting contractor's shop; and be it further

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to revoke any permits issued by his department for driveway openings, etc., leading to said premises for such occupancy; and be it further

"Ordered, That no permits be granted by any city department with regard to nonconforming uses of said premises without first notifying the residents living in the vicinity and holding a public hearing on same."

Under date of March 14 of 1950, I requested an opinion from the Corporation Counsel as to whether I had discretionary powers to refuse to grant a permit for the construction of a driveway across a public sidewalk area, if my reason for so doing was based solely on my opinion, that the purpose for which the private property was to be used was not in the best interests of the public.

Under date of May 9 of 1950, I received the opinion from the Corporation Counsel, which read, in part, as follows:

"So far as your present inquiry is concerned, the important point in all this is that the restrictions and requirements to which an abutter's right of access may be subjected are restrictions and requirements having a direct relation to the protection of the public right in the highway. The ground upon which you suggest denying the applications now before you has no relation to the public right of travel, but concerns a different public interest which has already been adjudicated by the appropriate public authority. In my opinion, you have no jurisdiction to review that adjudication, but must confine your consideration to matters directly related to the protection of the public right in the highway."

In view of the above-referenced opinion of the Corporation Counsel, it is my understanding that I would have no right to deny a permit to the owner of 81 Westminster avenue for a driveway opening leading to said premises.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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RESTORING SURFACE OF WASHINGTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 4, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 14, 1951, requesting that a report be submitted on the damage to the newly resurfaced sections of Washington street, between Dudley street and Egleston square, said report to set forth the methods whereby the street surface is to be restored to its former first-class condition.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 31, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works submit a report on the damage to the newly resurfaced sections of Washington street, between Dudley street and Egleston square, said report to set forth the methods whereby the street surface is to be restored to its former first-class condition, and please be advised as follows:

Corporation openings at No. 2552 to No. 2996 Washington street, inclusive, were repaired May 18, 1951.

There are three other corporation openings as follows:

Opposite No. 2497 Washington street.
On Washington street, opposite Bartlett street.
Opposite No. 2989 Washington street.

Arrangements have been made to have the above-mentioned openings repaired as of today, May 31, 1951.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON BALDWIN AND HARVARD PLACES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 4, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 21, 1951, requesting the installation of electric lights on Baldwin place and Harvard place, Ward 22.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 1, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of May 21:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Public Works Lighting Division to install electric lights on Baldwin place and Harvard place, Ward 22."

An immediate investigation will be made of the above-referenced intersection, and if the results of said investigation are in the affirmative, steps will be taken by the department to arrange for the installation of a light, if our budget appropriations permit such installation.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

SURFACING ON BUNKER HILL AND CHELSEA STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 4, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 21, 1951, requesting a conference for the purpose of discussing the prospects of covering, with suitable surfacing, Bunker Hill street, Ward 2, and Chelsea street, from the Chelsea South Draw to the Chelsea up-ramp of the Mystic River Bridge, at about Mt. Vernon street, Ward 2, the purpose being to cover the abandoned streetcar rails on both streets.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 1, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of May 21:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works for the purpose of discussing the prospects of covering, with suitable surfacing, Bunker Hill street, Ward 2, and Chelsea street, from the Chelsea South Draw to the Chelsea up-ramp of the Mystic River Bridge, at about Mt. Vernon street, Ward 2, the purpose being to cover the abandoned streetcar rails on both streets."

Consideration will be given to including the resurfacing of the above-referenced streets in the current year's highway reconstruction program.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

SIGN DESIGNATING LOCKE PLACE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 4, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 21, 1951, requesting the installation of a sign at the corner of East Fourth street and Locke place, Ward 6, designating said Locke place.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 31, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of May 21:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a sign at the corner of East Fourth street and Locke place, Ward 6, designating said Locke place."

Immediate arrangements will be made to comply with the provisions of the above-referenced order.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ARC LIGHT AT EAST FOURTH STREET AND LOCKE PLACE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 4, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 24, 1951, requesting the placement of an arc light at the corner of East Fourth street and Locke place.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 31, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of May 21:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place an arc light at the corner of East Fourth street and Locke place because of its present dangerous light condition."

An investigation will be made to determine the necessity of installing a light at the above-referenced intersection, and arrangements will be made to have the light installed, if the results of the investigation are in the affirmative and if our budgetary appropriation permits such installation.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

CLEANING OF STREETS, WARD 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 4, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 21, 1951, requesting that the streets be cleaned, particularly in the business sections of Ward 17.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 31, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of May 21:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to clean the streets in Ward 17, particularly in the business sections."

We are pleased to cooperate with the City Council in reference to the provisions of the above order, and you may be assured that not only the streets in Ward 17, but in every ward in the city, will be cleaned at regular intervals, to the full extent of our available personnel and equipment.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

BROADWAY EXTENSION BRIDGE REPAIRS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 4, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 14, 1951, requesting that something be done about the Broadway Extension Bridge as the present wooden surface causes automobiles to skid when the bridge is wet and many accidents have happened there recently.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 31, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of May 14:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to do something about the Broadway Extension Bridge as the present wooden surface causes automobiles to skid when the bridge is wet and many accidents have happened there recently."

I wish to advise that the drawspan of the Broadway Bridge, over Fort Point Channel, to which the above-referenced order evidently refers, has a spruce wearing surface which is very apt to be slippery, when wet. However, all wearing surfaces are slippery to some degree, when wet, and I feel that the accidents referred to are caused by excessive speed under adverse conditions, rather than to the type of pavement on the structure. Long bridges without intersections, such as the Broadway Bridge, tend to make the average driver operate too fast because of the lack of cross traffic, with the result that skidding accidents on such bridges are higher than normal.

All bridges with wooden wearing surfaces are sanded intermittently during rainy or snowy weather, and particular attention will be given, hereafter, to the Broadway Bridge, in order to make certain that it is kept reasonably well sanded during inclement weather. Suitable "Slippery When Wet" signs will be erected on both approaches to the bridge to warn drivers, in substance, that the wooden surface is apt to be slippery, when wet, and that, therefore, they should use precaution when crossing the bridge.

An investigation will also be conducted to determine the advisability of replacing the existing wooden surface with an open steel grid type of surface which, in general, is less slippery than the wooden surface. If the results of the investigation determine that a steel decking would be advisable, arrangements will be made to have it installed, if we are able to obtain said steel decking, which is very scarce at this time, due to the demands of the Defense Program.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

USE OF BUILDING AT 215 FOREST HILLS STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 4, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Building Commissioner relative to your order of April 30, 1951, requesting that any petition seeking a change in use and occupancy of the building located at 215 Forest Hills street, Jamaica Plain, be denied.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Building Department, May 28, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

In response to the resolve passed by the City Council on April 30, 1951, concerning the establishment of a hospital for chest diseases at 215 Forest Hills street, Jamaica Plain, please be advised that a hearing on this application will be held on Thursday, June 7, 1951, at 11 A.M., in Room 907, City Hall Annex.

Very truly yours,
HARRY J. KEEFE,
Building Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 4, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

There is forwarded herewith an order transferring the sum of $100,000 from the Reserve Fund to the budget of the Library Department. This transfer is being made at the request of the Trustees of the Library for the following purposes:

Continuance of the Neponset Branch Library	$34,000
To make the general increase available on a proportionate basis for part-time workers	23,000
To meet the rising cost for the purchase of books	25,000
To make repairs on the arcade roof of the Central Library	18,000
Total	$100,000

Consideration and adoption of the accompanying order, by your Honorable Body, is recommended.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, $100,000, to the appropriation for Library Department, 1, Personal Services, $32,000, 2, Contractual Services, $18,000, 3, Supplies and Materials, $50,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

Mirando Alizio, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Salem street.

John F. Barrett, for compensation for damage to car on East Boston Ferry.

Leo P. Crowley, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Margaret M. Farrell, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Bedford street.

Frederick J. Gaffney, to be paid for care of bodies at Southern Mortuary.

James Kakridas, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Longwood avenue.

Rose Linehan, for compensation for loss of false teeth at City Hospital.

Anna P. McFarlane, for compensation for damage to hot water boiler at 46 Hecla street, Dorchester, caused by water being shut off.

Maria Mullener, for compensation for damage to coat caused by paint on railing in Public Garden.

Francis C. Scanlon, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Edgar L. Shepard, for compensation for damage to property at 47 Brent street, Dorchester, caused by city employee from Water Division.

Linda C. Smith, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Sunset street.

Sam Strasniek, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Della M. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Bernice Valentine, for compensation for injuries caused by fire apparatus.

John J. Rochefort, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Stanley E. Brown, John Hancock Hall, June 12.

Boston Music School, Inc., Huntington Hall, June 10.

Kay A. McDermott, John Hancock Hall, June 4.

Raymond Thacher, Jordan Hall, June 5.

E. Virginia Williams, John Hancock Hall, June 18.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of the following, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved:

Andrew Martin, Rudolph L. Trent, Andrew J. Palermo.

NOTICES FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on July 3, at 10 A.M. (hearing previously set for June 18, a legal holiday in County of Suffolk), on petition of New York Central Railroad Company, lessee of the Boston & Albany Railroad, for exemption from the minimum clearance relating to tracks in its yard located on Bremen, Bennington, Porter streets, and Neptune road, in East Boston.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of approval of petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority of plan for Elevated structure changes at Dover street.

Severally placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS IN HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Notices were received from the Health Commissioner of the following appointments:

Henry Mazer, 345 Charles street, Boston, as chemist and sanitary biologist at $4,500 per year, effective June 1, 1951 (temporary transfer).

Francis Gens, 49 Burroughs street, Jamaica Plain (by temporary transfer), as chemist and milk inspector at $4,500 per year, effective June 1, 1951.

Severally placed on file.

PROPOSED FEE ON TAXICABS AT LOGAN AIRPORT.

Coun. WENZLER, for Councilor Hurley, offered the following:

Whereas, All Boston taxicab operators are duly licensed holders of taxicab medallions in the City of Boston; and

Whereas, None of these Boston holders are licensed to operate in any city, or town, other than Boston, but are restricted in seeking taxi fares to the territory within the corporate limits of Boston; and

Whereas, The Logan International Airport is within the City of Boston; and

Whereas, The Airport Management Authority has announced its intention of establishing a fee of 25 cents per day per cab, or $6 per month, for the right of a taxicab to take fares from the airport, such plan to be placed in operation on July 1, 1951; and

Whereas, This plan was announced in the public press without prior consultation with the vast majority of taxi operators whom it most directly affects, or with their chosen representatives; and

Whereas, The plan, as now proposed, favors only a small group of out-of-town drivers, to the detriment and financial loss of all operators licensed and doing business in the City of Boston; and

Whereas, This small group, which stands to benefit under the proposed plan, are NOT licensed in Boston, have NO LEGAL RIGHT to do business in Boston, and are in direct and illegal competition with the 1,525 licensed taxi operators in Boston, who carry the major part of the passenger traffic to the airport and who, by virtue of this fact, should have an opportunity to participate on an equitable basis in the return business; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Airport Management be urgently requested to withhold the effective date of the proposed plan and to consider the establishment of a more equitable plan to be decided upon at a conference of interested parties, at which conference there may be a fair exchange of views on the financial effect upon the owners and drivers licensed in the City of Boston; and be it further

Resolved, That the members of the management be requested to consider that 4,500 taxi drivers, licensed in Boston, will be affected by the plan to be finally adopted at this conference and put into permanent operation.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

PENSION TO CHARLES J. SERGEI.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 319 of the Acts of 1951, entitled "An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Pension Charles J. Sergei, a Member of the Police Department of Said City," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ADDITIONAL LAND AT CALF PASTURE.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Whereas, The Boston Housing Authority has taken by eminent domain a portion of that land in Boston known as Calf Pasture; and

Whereas, The disposition of the remaining land at Calf Pasture does not seem to be of concern to the Boston Housing Authority; and

Whereas, It should be of deep concern because of the effect such use would have on the health and welfare of the future tenants; and

Whereas, The Boston Housing Authority is showing a remarkable lack of foresight in failing to supply necessary adequate room for facilities aside from actual housing, namely, stores, schools, churches, playgrounds, etc.; and

Whereas, The remaining land at Calf Pasture could be used for such facilities; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, goes on record as favoring the taking, by eminent domain, of the entire area known as Calf Pasture, with the exception of that land owned by Boston College High; and be it further

Resolved, That the entire area known as Calf Pasture be zoned as a residential area to be spot zoned at a later date to accommodate necessary business for the convenience of the tenants; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the members of the Boston Housing Authority and his Honor the Mayor.

Referred to the Committee on Public Housing.

SACHEM STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Sachem street, Ward 10, one way, from Calumet street to Hillside street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INKWELLS FOR LEFT-HANDED PUPILS.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install inkwells on the left side of desks for the left-handed pupils.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LESTER AND VERRILL STREETS AS ONE-WAY STREETS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Traffic Commissioner to immediately study the advisability of making Lester and Verrill streets, Ward 14, one way thoroughfares.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT TALBOT AND BLUE HILL AVENUES.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to ask the Traffic Commissioner to submit a tentative blueprint for Talbot avenue and Blue Hill avenue, which has been under study with a view to placing traffic signals in that area.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

FRANKLIN FIELD HOUSING DEVELOPMENT.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Boston Housing Authority to expedite plans for the construction of the Franklin Field Housing Development.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

WELLINGTON HILL STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Traffic Commissioner to immediately make a study of the conditions of Wellington Hill street, Ward 14, with a view to making a portion of that thoroughfare a one-way street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATIVE RELIEF FROM HIGH COST OF LIVING.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby appeals to the United States Congress to immediately draft legislation that will curb the meat producers and packers, who now have an unwarranted monopoly of the meat industry; and be it further

Resolved, That the United States Congress draft immediate legislative relief from the current wave of the prohibitive cost of living and that penalties be provided for those who create unwarranted artificial shortages and that an investigation be conducted with a view to settling our economic standards so that price levels will become normal; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Massachusetts delegation in Congress.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and ordinance (referred May 28) concerning salaries of certain officials—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the ordinance was passed.

ARC LIGHT IN INDEPENDENCE PARK.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an arc light in the center of Independence Park, South Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPAIR OF BENCHES, THOMAS PARK.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately repair the benches on Thomas Park, South Boston.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

CLEANING OF LOTS AT 420-428 WEST FOURTH STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Real Estate Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to clean the five lots of land under its jurisdiction at Nos. 420 to 428 West Fourth street, Ward 6.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ARC LIGHT ON EAST FOURTH STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an arc light on East Fourth street, between P street and Farragut road, Ward 6.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT ARMY BASE, SUMMER STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an automatic traffic signal in front of the Army Base on Summer street, South Boston.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

STRAIGHTENING OF CURBSTONES ON E STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to straighten the curbstones on E street, between West Second and West Third streets, Ward 6, particularly in front of St. Vincent's Church.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION RE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby opposes Senate Bill No. 659, the so-called Phillips Bill, because of the hardship it would cause by reducing the unemployment compensation of many persons from $25 to $19 a week; also because the bill is designed to protect corporations and public utilities companies who, in the past, have been favored with a one half of 1 per cent payroll tax.
Referred to the Committee on Legislative Matters.

TRAFFIC CHANGES AT GALLIVAN BOULEVARD AND MINOT STREET.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to take steps to immediately proceed with the proposed changes at Gallivan Boulevard and Minot street, which plans have been submitted by the Traffic Department to the Public Works Department.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

CONSTRUCTION OF LINWOOD ROAD.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to construct Linwood road in Dorchester, Ward 16.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON PAISLEY PARK.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric lights on Paisley park, in Dorchester, Ward 16.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

EXTENSION OF ADAMS STREET M. T. A. LINE.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority to consider the feasibility of continuing the Adams Street line through the Hill Top Street section of Dorchester in order to adequately serve the people of this district.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Coun. SHANLEY, for the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following:
1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred April 23) for appropriation of $1,000,000 for School Committee—that same ought to pass.
The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 18, nays 0:
Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.
Nays—0.

SPRAYING OF ELM TREES, WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to spray all the elm trees in Ward 17.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING OF MAGNOLIA STREET, WARD 13.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Public Works Commissioner to resurface Magnolia street in Ward 13.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

PERMITS FOR BLASTING OPERATIONS.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to define the powers and duties now existing in the Fire Department of the City of Boston in relation to permits for blasting operations.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REDUCING COST OF BROKEN GLASS IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to arrange for a conference with the School Committee and Police Department officials for the purpose of devising ways and means of reducing the $70,000 cost to the city annually for replacing broken glass in school buildings; also to determine in which section most of this damage occurs.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

EXEMPTION OF MEMBERS OF ARMED FORCES FROM POLL TAXES.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the legislative agent of the City of Boston Law Department to submit an amendment to the General Laws, chapter 59, section 5, clause 17-B, of the action of 1950 (796), relative to exemption of poll taxes for men serving in the armed forces of the United States who have been drafted or who have enlisted since January 1, 1951, such amendment to exempt these men from the 1951 poll tax and future poll taxes while they are in the services of the United States armed forces.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPAIR OF HOLES IN STREETS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately repair all holes in streets throughout the City of Boston before claims for damages against the city reach an exorbitant amount.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CERTAIN LAND IN DORCHESTER FOR HOUSING.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to seriously consider the suggestion made two years ago that the land bounded by Bay street, Dorchester avenue, Freeport street, and the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad be taken over for the construction of additional dwelling units, as it is ideally situated insofar as MTA transportation, beach and playground facilities at Savin Hill are concerned.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

COMMITTEE TO DRAFT PLAN FOR TAX RELIEF.

Coun. ANSEL called up No. 1 on the Calendar, assigned from May 28, 1951, viz.:

1. Order to appoint a committee of five councilors to draft plan for tax relief.

The question came on passage of the order and the order was passed.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Hannon the Council voted at 3.22 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by Chairman WENZLER at 4.15 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) transferring appropriation of $100,000 from the Reserve Fund to Library Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 13, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Chase, Coffey, Farin, Hannon, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, Yerxa—13.

Nays—0.

REPLACING OF LIFEGUARD STATION, SOUTH BOSTON.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the Coast Guard authorities with a view to replacing the lifeguard station off the yacht clubs in South Boston where it has been located in the past.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 4.16 P.M., on motion of Councilor F. P. Tracey, to meet on Monday, June 11, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, June 11, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair, and all the members present.

Reverend Joseph P. Mantle, of St. Theresa's Roman Catholic Church, in West Roxbury, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. JOSEPH P. MANTLE.

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. Almighty and Eternal God, in whose divine providence we place our entire confidence and hope, Heavenly Father whose creatures we are and whose servants we ever wish to remain, Omnipotent Benefactor of mankind, to whom we must look for grace and courage to overcome the difficulties of life and upon whom we must depend for all we have and dare to maintain, O Courageous Giver of all good things, we Thy humble servants ask Thy blessing upon this honorable assembly so that its deliberations may be in accordance with Thy divine light. May their enactments be based on love for Thee, O Eternal God, and love for their fellow men. May their decrees be tempered with justice. May their laws be for common good. Shower down Thy blessings, O Lord, upon these men whose duty it is to protect the activities of our beloved city. Grant to them generosity and affection toward mankind and courage to uphold truth and righteousness, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council the Mayor submitted the appointment of Roy C. Peck, 176 Havre street, East Boston, as Weigher of Coal for term ending April 30, 1952.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

ONE-YEAR RESTRICTION ON GASOLINE STATION PERMITS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the secretary of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of May 28, 1951, requesting that steps be taken immediately to place a one-year restriction on the granting of gasoline station permits in compliance with chapter 329 of the General Laws which was amended in the first paragraph of section 13 of chapter 148 and in section 27 of chapter 550 of the Acts of 1948 and which was further amended on May 19 of this year.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
June 5, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Board receipt of your communication of May 31, 1951, enclosing order introduced by Councilor Beades requesting that steps be taken immediately to place a one-year restriction on the granting of gasoline station permits.

Printed copies of the new legislation enacted this year have not been issued up to the present time, and in view of the fact that this legislation will not become effective until some time in August, the Board is not in a position to act in the matter until the new legislation has been studied, after which time, you may rest assured, immediate steps will be taken to comply with the provisions of the law.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

CHARLOTTE STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of May 7, 1951, requesting that Charlotte street, in Ward 14, be made a one-way street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
May 31, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated May 7, 1951, Requesting Charlotte Street, in Ward 14, Be Made a One-Way Street.

Dear Sir:

In reply to above Council order please be advised that at a meeting of the Traffic Commission held on May 24, 1951, it was voted to make Charlotte street, Dorchester, one way, from Bradshaw street to Blue Hill avenue.

This regulation becomes effective on June 11, at which time the necessary signs will be erected.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REPAIRS AT COLUMBUS PARK AND COLUMBUS STADIUM.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of May 28, 1951, requesting the repair of the backstops at Columbus Park, particularly the one in the center, and also to replace the broken seats in Columbus Stadium, South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, June 4, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order dated May 28, requesting the repair of the backstops at Columbus Park, particularly the

one in the center, and also to replace the broken seats in Columbus Stadium, South Boston.

We are making the necessary arrangements to comply with this request.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REPAIRS TO TREE AT 88 MAGNOLIA STREET, WARD 13.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of May 28, 1951, requesting that proper repairs be made to tree in sidewalk in front of 88 Magnolia street, Ward 13.

Respectfully,
JOHN B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, June 4, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting that proper repairs be made to tree in the sidewalk in front of 88 Magnolia street.

I have referred this matter to the General Foreman of the Tree Division for his immediate attention.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PLANTING OF TREES, WARD 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of May 28, 1951, requesting the placement of trees on Galty avenue, Regan road, and Mercier avenue, in Ward 17.

Respectfully,
JOHN B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, June 4, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting the placement of trees on Galty avenue, Regan road, and Mercier avenue.

Councilor Farin wrote me a week ago relative to this matter and at that time I answered him to the effect that we would not be doing any planting until the fall and, at that time, if the opportunity presented itself, we would plant trees on these streets.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ARC LIGHT IN INDEPENDENCE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of June 4, 1951, requesting the installation of an arc light in the center of Independence Park, South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, June 7, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting the installation of an arc light in the center of Independence Park, South Boston.

This park is under the care and supervision of the Park Department, but all lighting comes under the direction of the Street Lighting Division of the Public Works Department.

We spoke to Mr. Hyland several weeks ago about the possibility of having a light erected in the center of this park. This area is one of the beauty spots of South Boston and there is no question that a light here would be welcomed by all citizens of the area and particularly the church authorities.

This matter should be referred to the Public Works Department.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

SPRAYING OF ELM TREES, WARD 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of June 4, 1951, requesting that all the elm trees, in Ward 17, be sprayed.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, June 7, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting that all the elm trees, in Ward 17, be sprayed.

At the present time we have a contract for spraying of trees, particularly elm, in all sections of the city.

Ward 17 will be taken care of according to the schedule outlined.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REPAIR OF BENCHES, THOMAS PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of June 4, 1951, requesting immediate repairs to the benches on Thomas Park, South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, June 7, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order

requesting to immediately repair the benches on Thomas Park, South Boston.

Prior to receiving this order, Mr. James Walsh, the Deputy Commissioner had made arrangements for the repair of the benches at this location.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

CONSTRUCTION OF SEWER IN WALNUT STREET, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 11, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 14, 1951, requesting the construction of a sewer on Walnut street, Ward 20, to replace the present cesspools.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 1, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Re: City Council Order of May 14, 1951, Requesting the Construction of a Sewer on Walnut Street, Ward 20, to Replace the Present Cesspools.
Dear Sir:

In reply to Council order of May 14, 1951, requesting the construction of a sewer in Walnut street, Ward 20, to replace the present cesspools, we find that this is a private street with three houses and a factory employing about eight persons, all the buildings being connected to cesspools. We believe a sanitary sewer should be constructed in this street and will request the Street Commissioners to order same, following which we will proceed with its construction.

Respectfully,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, WEST SECOND STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of May 28, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on West Second street, from Dorchester street to Dorchester avenue.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 4, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner install granolithic sidewalks on West Second street, from Dorchester street to Dorchester avenue, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for the construction of granolithic sidewalks during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, MATHER STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of May 28, 1951, requesting the placement of granolithic sidewalks or with black top, in the event that concrete is not available, starting with the corner of Allston and Mather streets, on the left-hand side, going down towards Dorchester avenue.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 4, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner put granolithic sidewalks or replace said sidewalks on Mather street with black top in the event that concrete is not available, starting from the corner of Allston and Mather streets, on the left-hand side, going down towards Dorchester avenue, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for the construction of granolithic sidewalks during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, VINTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 28, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Vinton street, Ward 7.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 4, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Vinton street, Ward 7, and this will advise you that this sidewalk work will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for the construction of granolithic sidewalks during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS, EAST THIRD STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to

your order of May 28, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on East Third street, between N street and Farragut road, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
JOHN B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 4, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner install granolithic sidewalks on East Third street, between N street and Farragut road, Ward 6, and this will advise you that this sidewalk work will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for the construction of granolithic sidewalks during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ERECTION OF FENCE AT BOSTON STREET, WARD 7.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 28, 1951, requesting that the proper officials of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad be contacted, with the request that they erect a fence along their right of way at Boston street, Ward 7, so that the children in the neighborhood will be protected.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 6, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your communication regarding City Council order of May 28, 1951, regarding the erection of a fence along the right of way at Boston street, Ward 7, for the protection of the children in the neighborhood, I wish to advise you that we have contacted Mr. Jenkins, Assistant Engineer, New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad regarding this matter, and I am enclosing herewith a copy of a communication addressed to Mr. Polson, Division Engineer, regarding same.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 6, 1951.

Mr. S. J. Polson, Division Engineer, New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, South Station, Boston.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith please find a copy of an order in City Council requesting that a suitable fence along your right of way at Boston street, Ward 7, be erected to protect the children in that neighborhood.

It is my understanding that this type of work is done on the program-budget arrangement, and it will be appreciated if this matter be given your attention as soon as possible.

I would also like to call to your attention the dangerous condition along your right of way parallel with Terrace street, Roxbury. It is my understanding that fence construction on this site is included in your present program, and I hope that construction thereof will be started in the immediate future.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GIFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE TO CIVIL DEFENSE DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a communication received by me this day from the Director of Civil Defense, which would appear to be self-explanatory.

The Columbia Motor Mileage Corporation, with offices at 161 Harvard avenue, Allston, has certainly been most gracious in offering to Boston's Department of Civil Defense the vehicle referred to in Mr. Malone's letter. I therefore respectfully urge the immediate adoption by your Honorable Body of the order submitted herewith.

Respectfully,
JOHN B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Department of Civil Defense,
June 11, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Columbia Motor Mileage Corporation, with offices at 161 Harvard avenue, Allston, has very kindly offered to the City of Boston for civil defense purposes a 1948 International panel truck provided, that the city agrees that within five days after such truck ceases to be used or held for civil defense purposes or the Director of Civil Defense or, if there be no such director, the Mayor receives from the corporation a written request for the return of the truck, whichever event first occurs, the city will deliver and convey the truck to Columbia Motor Mileage Corporation in whatever condition the same may then be without representation or warranty of any kind.

St. 1950, c. 639, s. 15, provides that whenever any person, firm or corporation shall offer to any political subdivision of the Commonwealth services, equipment, supplies, materials or funds by way of gift, grant or loan, for purposes of civil defense, such political subdivision, acting through its governing body, may accept such offer, and upon acceptance such governing body may authorize any officer of the political subdivision to receive such services, equipment, supplies, materials or funds on behalf of the political subdivision and subject to the terms of the offer. It would seem to be plain from this statute that City Council action is necessary for the acceptance of the above-entitled offer. I therefore respectfully recommend to your Honor that the enclosed order be transmitted to the City Council for adoption.

Respectfully yours,
JOSEPH L. MALONE,
Director of Civil Defense.

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Whereas, Columbia Motor Mileage Corporation, a Massachusetts corporation with a usual place of business in Boston, acting under section 15 of chapter 639 of the Acts of 1950, has offered to the City of Boston by way of gift for civil defense purposes a certain motor vehicle, to wit, a 1948 International panel truck, Model KB3, Engine No. 204645, Serial No. 44697, provided that the city agrees that within five days after such motor vehicle ceases to be used or held for civil defense purposes or the Director of Civil De-

fense or, if there be no such director, the Mayor receives from the Corporation a written request for the return of such vehicle, whichever of said events first occurs, it will deliver and convey such vehicle to Columbia Motor Mileage Corporation in whatever condition the same may then be without representation or warranty of any kind; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered: 1. That the above-recited offer be, and the same hereby is, accepted with thanks; and

2. That the Director of Civil Defense be, and he hereby is, authorized to receive said motor vehicle on behalf of the city and on such behalf to execute and deliver such instruments as may be necessary or convenient for agreeing to reconvey and return said vehicle as aforesaid and for reconveying and returning said vehicle pursuant to such agreement.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

LICENSE TO CONSTRUCT STRUCTURE OVER SEWERAGE WORKS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 11, 1951.

To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a communication received from George G. Hyland, Commissioner of Public Works, relative to the granting of a license to Transport Manufacturing and Equipment Company to build over a sewer easement in Rena street, a private way, in the Brighton district.

Since the erection of the proposed building will not interfere with the City of Boston's easement in Rena street, I recommend the adoption of the accompanying order whereby the City of Boston licenses the Transport Manufacturing and Equipment Company to build over the said sewer easement subject to the City of Boston's right to maintain and operate the sewerage facilities.

Respectfully,
JOHN B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 11, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

By an order of the Board of Aldermen passed November 23, 1891, the City of Boston acquired an easement for a main drain or common sewer in Rena street, a private way, in the Brighton district.

The Transport Manufacturing and Equipment Company, the present owner of premises located at the intersection of Rena and Kingsley streets, desires to erect a building over the sewer easement. Plans for the erection of the building have been examined by this department and it is my opinion that the proposed structure will not interfere with the City of Boston's easement in the premises. I therefore respectfully request your Honor to introduce an order in the City Council whereby this department may license the building of the structure by Transport Manufacturing and Equipment Company.

Respectfully,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner.

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Whereas, The City of Boston, by an order of the Board of Aldermen, approved by the Mayor of Boston, November 24, 1891, made a taking for sewerage purposes in a certain parcel of land in Rena street, a private way, in the Brighton district, of the City of Boston; and

Whereas, Transport Manufacturing and Equipment Company is the present owner of a portion of the lands in which the aforesaid sewerage easement is located; and

Whereas, The said Transport Manufacturing and Equipment Company desires to construct a building over the sewerage works located as aforesaid; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be, and he hereby is, authorized to execute and deliver in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to Transport Manufacturing and Equipment Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, with a usual place of business in the City of Boston, an instrument under seal whereby the City of Boston licenses the said Transport Manufacturing and Equipment Company to construct and maintain in a manner satisfactory to the Commissioner of Public Works a structure over said sewerage works as shown in red on a plan marked "City of Boston, Street Department, Sewer Division, Taking for Sewer in Rena Street, Brighton, K-80, on File in the Public Works Department," and reserving to the City of Boston the right to enter upon the premises at all times for the purpose of constructing, operating, maintaining, repairing and renewing said sewerage works.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Thomas English, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Mrs. David Fennessey, for compensation for damage to coat caused by an alleged defect at East Cottage and Pond streets.

Antonetta Ferrara, for compensation for damage to property at 373 Frankfort street, East Boston, caused by backing up of sewage.

Sheldon Freed, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 770 Morton street, Dorchester.

Albert D. Goldberg, for compensation for damage to car by truck of School Department.

William H. Hurley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

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John Kenneally, for compensation for damage to property at 178 Calumet street, Roxbury, caused by defective catch basin.

Lucille Kesner, for compensation for damage to property at 11 Calder street, Dorchester, caused by break in water main.

Margaret M. Murphy, for compensation for damage to property at 55 King street, Dorchester, caused by water entering premises.

Gerald Rosenblatt, for compensation for damage to car by street sweeper.

James Saunders, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by police car.

John C. Smith, for compensation for injuries caused by police car.

Gunner Swanson, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Florence Swartz, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1290 Blue Hill avenue.

John F. Vargo, Jr., for compensation for injuries caused by police car.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Plymouth and Brockton Street Railway Company for license to operate motor vehicles on St. James avenue, Stuart street, and Columbus avenue.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Anna Bobitt-Gardner, Jordan Hall, June 8 and 9.

Hazel Boone, John Hancock Hall, June 19.

Gertrude Dolan, Jordan Hall, June 15.

Gertrude Dolan, Jordan Hall, June 22.

Gertrude Dolan, Jordan Hall, June 29.

Elma Lewis School, of Fine Arts, Jordan Hall, June 13.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

HEARING BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on July 3, at 2.15 P.M., on petition of Rapid Transit, Inc., on rates and charges.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of the following having been duly approved by the City Treasurer were received and approved by the Council:

William H. Lynch, Frederick Sturn.

ABSENCE OF MAYOR FROM CITY.

Notice was received from the Mayor of his absence from the city on June 7 and 8, 1951.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from Mary W. Cauley, Director, Household Science and Arts, that her book, "The Science and Art of Homemaking," was authorized as text book for Grade VII by the School Committee.

Placed on file.

PREPARATON OF JURY LIST.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Clerk be hereby directed, when the Jury List is filed with him by the Election Commission, to cause the names on said list to be written each on a separate ballot, and said ballots to be properly folded as provided in section 7 of chapter 234 of the General Laws, and placed in the box provided for the purpose.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY in the chair.

ROPING OFF STREETS FOR BUNKER HILL DAY PARADE.

Coun. KINSELLA offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be, and he hereby is, directed to rope off the streets along the route of the Bunker Hill Day parade, June 18, 1951, to be held in Charlestown, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council Appropriation for Ropes, Flags and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

STREET CLEANER AT CODMAN SQUARE, SUNDAY MORNINGS.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to maintain a street cleaner at Codman square every Sunday morning as this will help keep the square in shipshape for the various churchgoers.

Passed under supension of the rules.

OPPOSITION TO CLOSING OF TWO SCHOOLS IN WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, go on record as opposing the closing of the Oliver Wendell Holmes School and the Champlain School in Ward 17.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

EXTENSION OF TIME TO CHOOSE PENSION PLAN.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules in the Legislature be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to extend the time element on the bill before them whereby city employees may choose either to remain in the 4 per cent bracket or accept the 5 per cent pension plan.

Referred to Committee on Legislative Matters.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HOUSING.

Coun. FARIN, for the Committee on Public Housing, submitted the following:

Report on resolution (referred June 4) favoring taking by eminent domain of entire area known as Calf Pasture, with exception of land owned by Boston College High, and that same be zoned as residential area to be spot zoned later to accommodate necessary business—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

HEARING ON MANHOLE EXPLOSIONS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor call for a public hearing relative to the manhole cover explosions that have been occurring throughout the city, and request that the Boston Edison Company, the Boston Consolidated Gas Company, the Sewer Division and Water Division of the City of Boston, send a representative to a public hearing to be held on Thursday, June 21, 1951, 11 A.M., in the Council Chamber, in the Boston City Council.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT WARREN STREET AND WALNUT AVENUE.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put traffic lights at the corner of Warren street and Walnut avenue.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RONAN PARK IMPROVEMENTS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to put in good order the softball diamond at Ronan Park, Ward 15, and also to insert a horseshoe court and stake boxes at said park.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

COMMUNITY CENTERS IN HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the members of the Boston Housing Authority to study the advisability of constructing community centers in the huge housing developments of the City of Boston.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Coun. BRYAN, for the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following:
Report on communication from the School Department (referred May 28) requesting early action on order for appropriation of $1,000,000 for School Committee—recommending that the communication be placed on file.
The report was accepted, and the communication was placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF SHAW STREET.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Shaw street, Ward 20, as a public highway.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF HAMILTON STREET.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Hamilton street, Ward 20, as a public highway.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ADEQUATE LIGHTING FOR WESTMINSTER AVENUE AND WALNUT PARK.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install adequate electric lighting on Westminster avenue and Walnut park, in the Roxbury section of Ward 11.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT MONTEBELLO ROAD AND WASHINGTON STREET.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install suitable traffic lights at the intersection of Montebello road and Washington street, Ward 11.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

OPPOSITION TO TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL IN JAMAICA PLAIN.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:
Whereas, The proposed establishment of a tuberculosis hospital on Forest Hills street, in the Jamaica Plain district of Boston, has been strongly opposed by residents living in that vicinity; and
Whereas, The people living in the vicinity believe that the establishment of such a hospital would jeopardize their health and safety and would cause a general devaluation of property in the locality; therefore be it
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Building and Health Commissioners to reject the several applications before them relating to changes in the zoning law for the purpose of establishing such a tuberculosis hospital.
Coun. McCOLGAN moved that the order be referred to the Committee on Public Safety. The motion was lost. The question came on the suspension of the rules and passage of the order. The motion to suspend the rules was lost (15 votes being required for suspension of the rules), yeas 13, nays 5:
Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Chase, Coffey, Farin, Hannon, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—13.
Nays—Councilors Ansel, Cook, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan—5.
On motion of Councilor Coffey the foregoing vote was reconsidered.
The question then again came on the suspension of the rules, and the rules were not suspended (15 votes being required for suspension of the rules), yeas 13, nays 5:
Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Coffey, Farin, Hannon, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—13.
Nays—Councilors Ansel, Chase, Cook, Hurley, Lanigan—5.
Voting Present—Councilor Sullivan—1.
The order was assigned to the next meeting.

CONSTRUCTION OF GARDEN TYPE HOUSES AT CALF PASTURE.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Boston Housing Authority to construct so-called garden type houses at the Calf Pasture site instead of the three- and six-story buildings contemplated.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

RE-ZONING OF ENTIRE CALF PASTURE AS RESIDENTIAL AREA.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Appeal be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to rezone the entire Calf Pasture as a residential area so that the new housing developments proposed for this area will be protected from encroachments by industrial plants.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

BAND CONCERT AT CITY POINT, JULY 4TH.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Celebrations Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to furnish a band concert at City Point on the afternoon of July 4th.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REQUEST TO ALLOW TELEPHONES AND TELEVISION SETS TO CERTAIN RECIPIENTS OF AID.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Overseers of Public Welfare be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to instruct the Aid to Dependent Children Division not to prohibit recipients from having telephones or television sets in their homes.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Hannon, the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet on Monday, June 25, 1951, at 2 P.M.

EQUAL PAY FOR TEMPORARY PARK DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to see that temporary Park Department employees receive the same pay during their time of employment as permanent Park Department employees.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PROTEST AGAINST STATEMENT OF JUDGE MacLEOD.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, protest against the statement made by one Judge MacLeod of the Chelsea District Court, whereas, the rehabilitation fund set up under the G. I. Rehabilitation Act for all veterans of World War II, whereby, a veteran received a sum of money for a period of time in order to rehabilitate himself and to find employment. Judge MacLeod claimed that out of this act, veterans made bums and loafers of themselves, and whereas, a man sitting on the bench for the Court of this Commonwealth of Massachusetts made such a statement, he is guilty of malfeasance of office and steps should be taken to correct this and have him apologize to the veterans of Massachusetts.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

EXTENSION OF TIME TO CHOOSE PENSION PLAN.

Coun. BEADES and FARIN offered the following:

Resolved, That the petition now before the Committee on Rules of the Legislature, provide for the extension of the time limit whereby the city employees may choose whether to remain in the 4 per cent or accept the 5 per cent pension plan, hereby is approved.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF INTERSECTION IN HONOR OF ANTHONY AMENDOLIA.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the intersection of Thorndike street and Harrison avenue, in memory of Private First Class Anthony Amendolia, late veteran of World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Beades, the Council voted at 4.08 P.M., to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by Chairman F. P. TRACEY, at 4.25 P.M.

FEES FOR OPEN-AIR PARKING LOTS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor inform the Law Department to expedite the proposed ordinance on fees for open-air parking lots, in so far as it would add additional revenue to the Street Department to enforce properly the rules and regulations of parking lots.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 4.26 P.M., on motion of Councilor Shanley, to meet on Monday, June 25, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

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CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, June 25, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair, and all the members present.

Reverend Bertrand McDewell, of the Passionist Order of St. Gabriel's Monastery, in Brighton, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. BERTRAND McDEWELL.

Eternal and Almighty God, look down with favor on those who are here gathered in Thy council chamber. These duly elected representatives of this city are Thy chosen representatives, for Thou hast said, "There is no power than power from God, and those that are ordained of God."

Give to them Thy Grace and guidance that they may understand the dignity of their office. Give them a keen sense of responsibility of the duties which they have to fulfill. Enlighten their minds and guide their judgments that they may do all things with justice and in accordance with thy law. Then let them well merit that reward which Thou has promised to Thy faithful servants, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Because thou hast been faithful in little things imposed on thee, I place thee over greater things. Enter thou into the joy of the Lord."

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

REMOVAL OF HECTOR PALLADINO AS CONSTABLE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 15, 1951.

To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that I have this day removed Hector Palladino as a Constable of the City of Boston for the cause assigned in my order of removal on file with the City Clerk.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Weighers of Coal for the term ending April 30, 1952: Bernard G. Bowers, 24 Concord avenue, Cambridge; Otis S. Brown, 7 Dee road, Lexington.

Weighers of Goods for the term ending April 30, 1952: Charles F. O'Donnell, 92 Rogers avenue, Somerville; Robert J. Bernier, 196 Clark avenue, Chelsea.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

REZONING OF CALF PASTURE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Engineer of the Board of Zoning Adjustment relative to your order of June 11, 1951, requesting to rezone the entire Calf Pasture as a residential area so that the new housing developments proposed for this area will be protected from encroachments by industrial plants.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Board of Zoning Adjustment,
June 22, 1951.

Mr. Thomas J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

In answer to your letter of June 13 concerning the City Council order of June 11 requesting the rezoning of the entire Calf Pasture area in Dorchester as a residential area, I am directed by the Board to report that it will consider this order in its deliberations and the results will be filed in the records of the office of the Building Commissioner at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,
THOMAS E. MCCORMICK, Engineer.

Placed on file.

EXTENSION OF ADAMS STREET LINE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the General Manager of the Metropolitan Transit Authority relative to your order of June 4, 1951, requesting that the feasibility be considered of continuing the Adams Street line through the Hill Top Street section of Dorchester in order to adequately serve the people of this district.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

June 13, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I presented to the Board of Trustees at their meeting today the order of the City Council forwarded with your memo of June 6, 1951.

The Trustees advised me that, consistent with the efforts to curtail mileage because of the deficit situation, and being faced with requests for additions such as this, they must deny extension of the Adams Street bus line through the Hill Top Street section of Dorchester.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA,
General Manager.

Placed on file.

BAND CONCERT AT CITY POINT, JULY 4.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Director of Public Celebrations relative to your order of June 11, 1951, requesting to furnish a band concert at City Point on the afternoon of July 4.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 19, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

In regards to Council order of June 11, 1951, requesting a band concert at City Point in South Boston, on July 4, 1951.

I have been informed by Edward Barry of the Metropolitan District Commission that a concert will be provided at the place and date designated. This bandstand and park comes under the Metropolitan District Commission.

Respectfully,
JOHN D. BROWN,
Director of Public Celebrations.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF INTERSECTION IN HONOR OF ANTHONY AMENDOLIA.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary to the Board of Street Commissioners

relative to your order of June 11, 1951, requesting to name the intersection of Thorndike street and Harrison avenue, in memory of Private First Class Anthony Amendolia, late veteran of World War II.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
June 14, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans receipt of your Communication of June 13 and order of Councilor Hurley, requesting the intersection of Thorndike street and Harrison avenue, Roxbury, be named in honor of Anthony Amendolia.

I beg to advise that the next meeting of the committee is scheduled to be held in October, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. Costello, Secretary.

Placed on file.

IMPROVEMENTS AT RONAN PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of June 11, 1951, requesting that the softball diamond at Ward 15, Ronan Park, be put in good order and also to insert a horseshoe court and stake boxes at said park.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, June 15, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order dated June 11, requesting that the softball diamond at Ward 15, Ronan Park, be put in good order and also to insert a horseshoe court and stake boxes at said Park.

I have referred this matter to the Deputy Commissioner and I am quite sure that we will be able to assist in this matter to the satisfaction of Councilor Ramsey.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REPAIR OF SIDEWALK, GREENVILLE AND DUDLEY STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of May 28, 1951, requesting the repairing of the granolithic sidewalk on the southwest corner of Greenville and Dudley streets, Roxbury, which was caused by the tree at that location.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 13, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken granolithic sidewalk on the southwest corner of Greenville and Dudley streets, Roxbury, which was caused by the tree at that location, and this will advise you that repairs have been made at this location by the local paving service district foreman under date of June 6, 1951.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SURFACE AT EAST FOURTH AND K STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 28, 1951, requesting the installation of a granolithic surface over the empty tree space on the southwest corner of East Fourth and K streets, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 14, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install a granolithic surface over the empty tree space on the southwest corner of East Fourth and K streets, Ward 6, and this will advise you that, on the side of 267 K street, there is a stump 5 feet in diameter which will be removed, and artificial stone sidewalk installed in the near future.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

CONSTRUCTION OF LINWOOD ROAD, WARD 16.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of June 4, 1951, requesting the construction of Linwood road, in Dorchester, Ward 16.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 11, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner construct Linwood road, in Dorchester, Ward 16, and this will advise you that this street will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for construction during the current year.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING MAGNOLIA STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of June 4, 1951, requesting the resurfacing of Magnolia street, Ward 13.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 11, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner resurface Magnolia street, Ward 13, and this will advise you that this street has been placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for resurfacing during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REPAIR OF STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of June 4, 1951, requesting the immediate repairing of all holes in streets throughout the City of Boston, before claims for damages against the city reach an exorbitant amount.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 13, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works immediately repair all holes in streets throughout the City of Boston, before claims for damages against the city reach an exorbitant amount, and this will advise you that the local paving service district forces are constantly patching holes in the streets throughout the city, working week ends, including Sundays, to fill in these holes, and we are continuing our efforts to repair these defects.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF PARKING METERS ON WASHINGTON STREET, CODMAN SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of May 28, 1951, requesting that the engineers study the advisability of the removal of several parking meters, beginning from Moultrie street on one side and Southern avenue on the other side of the street going towards Codman square, and the replacing of these with "No Parking" signs.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
June 20, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order dated May 31, requesting that the engineers study the advisability of the removal of several parking meters, beginning from Moultrie street on one side and Southern avenue on the other side of the street going towards Codman square, I wish to report that we find that this portion of Washington street is a part of the Codman square business area where parking facilities have always been in demand.

It is our feeling that if a "No Parking" regulation were established there that the business interests would suffer and object.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PLANS FOR TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON TALBOT AND BLUE HILL AVENUES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of June 4, 1951, requesting the submitting of a tentative blueprint for Talbot avenue and Blue Hill avenue, which has been under study with a view to placing traffic signals in that area.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
June 20, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston,
Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of June 4, 1951, requesting that we submit a tentative blueprint for Talbot avenue and Blue Hill avenue, which has been under study with a view to placing traffic signals in the area, I wish to report that the Assistant Division Engineer of the Paving Department informs us that it is contemplated to carry on the replacement of the present reservation of Blue Hill avenue by substituting a seven-foot divisional island.

This work will be completed by next fall or spring under a chapter 90 appropriation.

As soon as this work is in progress, we will submit plans for traffic control at the intersection.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

AUTOMATIC TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT ARMY BASE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of June 4, 1951, requesting the installation of an automatic traffic signal in front of the Army Base on Summer street, South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
June 20, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of June 4, requesting the installation of an automatic traffic signal in front of the Army Base in South Boston, I wish to report that we will give consideration to this location.

However, the problem which exists in this area is entirely the result of the activities at the Army Base and in such cases, frequently, the agency requiring special traffic protection makes the traffic light installation itself. For example, the Edison Company on Massachusetts avenue and Walter Baker Company at Pierce square, Dorchester, have installed such lights with push-button control for the convenience of their vehicles and employees.

H. P. Hood Company were about to do the same thing on Rutherford avenue until the reconstruction work commenced there.

Accordingly, it may be possible that under governmental appropriation for the maintenance of the Army Base that a traffic light installation might be made for the benefit of the Army Base on Summer street and this possibility should be explored before the city makes such an installation; especially since there are many other locations which are even more hazardous than the one in question.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

WELLINGTON HILL STREET AS ONE-WAY STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of June 4, 1951, requesting that a study be made of the conditions of Wellington Hill street, Ward 14, with a view to making a portion of that street a one-way street.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
June 20, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of June 4 requesting that a study be made of conditions in Wellington Hill street, Ward 14, with a view to making a portion of that street one way, I wish to report that the MTA is changing the track locations in Blue Hill avenue across Morton street, and this has undoubtedly caused a few motorists to use Wellington Hill street, from Morton street to Blue Hill avenue, during the reconstruction period.

We are having a survey made to determine the number of vehicles that use Wellington Hill street, from Morton street to Blue Hill avenue, as a through street and upon completion of this survey we shall act in accordance with our findings.

Respectfully yours,
Wm. Arthur Reilly, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT WARREN STREET AND WALNUT AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of June 11, 1951, requesting the installation of traffic lights at the corner of Warren street and Walnut avenue.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
June 20, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order of June 11, 1951, requesting the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of Walnut avenue and Warren street, I wish to report that we are placing this on our list for consideration, and a decision will be made in the near future concerning this matter.

The intersection is a hazardous one, and we are attempting to provide lights, from the appropriation available, at the intersections which have the worst accident records.

It is possible that this location may qualify on that basis, and I feel sure that as soon as sufficient funds are available an installation of traffic lights will be made as requested.

Respectfully yours,
Wm. Arthur Reilly, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT MONTEBELLO ROAD AND WASHINGTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of June 11, 1951, requesting the installation of suitable traffic lights at the intersection of Montebello road and Washington street, Ward 11.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
June 20, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order of June 11, 1951, requesting the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of Forest Hills street, Montebello road, and Washington street, Ward 11, I wish to report that we are placing this on our list for consideration and a decision will be made in the near future concerning this matter.

The intersection is a hazardous one, and we are attempting to provide lights from the appropriation available, at the intersections which have the worst accident records.

It is possible that this location may qualify on that basis, and I feel sure that as soon as sufficient funds are available an installation of traffic lights will be made as requested.

Respectfully yours,
Wm. Arthur Reilly, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

COOPERATION AGREEMENT RE OLD HARBOR VILLAGE HOUSING PROJECT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Transmitted herewith is a self-explanatory letter recently received by me from James J. Mahar, Chairman of the Boston Housing Authority, concerning the execution of a cooperation agreement between the Authority and the City with respect to the Old Harbor Village housing project. Also enclosed is an order which I recommend be adopted immediately by your Honorable Body so that the cooperation agreement in question may be executed at once and the city thereby obtain the increased payments in lieu of taxes which the execution of such agreement will make available.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Boston Housing Authority,
June 21, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Re: Cooperation Agreement, Old Harbor Village, Mass. H-3302.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

Enclosed please find form of proposed Cooperation Agreement covering the above-entitled project which is to be entered into between this Authority and the City of Boston.

Old Harbor Village is owned by the Public Housing Administration, which in turn has leased it to the Boston Housing Authority. Being federally owned it is exempt from all taxes.

Prior to the war, this Authority, under the terms of a lease entered into with the PHA, paid a flat $15,000 a year to the city as a payment in lieu of taxes. During the war, the PHA permitted a change to 10 per cent of shelter rents, which amounted to a considerable increase in the amount of money the city received, the approximate figure being $33,000, or $18,000 more than the flat rate. The last lease expired January 1, 1950. The Project at present is therefore being operated without a lease. The PHA will not permit Payments in Lieu of Taxes unless a Cooperation Agreement is entered into between the City and the Boston Housing Authority.

PHA Regulation, Section 4660: 1—Payment in Lieu of Taxes for Fiscal Year 1950 and Subsequent Fiscal Years on Federally-Owned PWA, PL-412, and PL 671 Projects Operated by Local Authorities.

3. New or Revised Cooperation Agreements.

(a) Payments in lieu of taxes may be made by the local authority only in accordance with Cooperation Agreements which have been approved by the PHA.

(b) In the event that there is no Cooperation Agreement in effect between the local authority and the local taxing body or bodies, such an

agreement, or such agreements, must be entered into and approved by the PHA before payments in lieu of taxes can be made, in accordance with this section. If in any case there are existing Cooperation Agreements between the Federal Government and the local taxing body or bodies, such agreements must be canceled by mutual consent before the local authority enters into a Cooperation Agreement. New agreements shall be substantially in accordance with Form PHA-1958 and shall be obtained in accordance with the procedure set forth below.

(c) In the event that there is an existing Cooperation Agreement between the local authority and the local taxing body or bodies, which provides for payments in lieu of taxes which are less than the regular amounts which the local authority wishes to pay hereunder, such local authority will be required to enter into a revised Cooperation Agreement, subject to approval by the PHA, before it makes such payments in lieu of taxes. Such revised agreement shall be substantially in accordance with Form PHA-1958 and shall be obtained in accordance with the procedure set forth below.

(d) The approval by the PHA of such new or revised Cooperation Agreement will not be given unless the current value of full exemption from real and personal property taxes, less the proposed regular payments in lieu of taxes, will constitute a substantial local contribution.

It is desirous, therefore, that an agreement be entered into so that payments in lieu of taxes may be made to the city.

The agreement requires that promptly after the execution of this agreement there shall be paid, for and on account of the federal fiscal year 1951, the sum of $48,736.15, and after the end of such fiscal year 1951 there shall be paid, for and on account of such fiscal year, an additional amount equal to ten per cent (10%) of the aggregate shelter rent. After the end of the federal fiscal year 1952, there shall be paid, for and on account of the federal fiscal year, an amount equal to ten per cent (10%) of the shelter rent. After the end of the federal fiscal year 1953, and after the end of each federal fiscal year thereafter, there shall be paid, for and on account of each federal fiscal year, an amount equal to ten per cent (10%) of the shelter rent.

The agreement also provides that during the agreement period the city, without cost or charge to the Authority, to the PHA, or to the tenants of the Project (other than the Payments in Lieu of Taxes), shall:

(a) Furnish or cause to be furnished to the Authority and the tenants of the Project the public services and facilities which are furnished without cost or charge to other dwellings and inhabitants in the City, including but not limited to: educational, fire, police, and health protection services; maintenance and repair of public streets, roads, and sidewalks, and of sewer systems; snow removal, garbage, trash and ash collection and disposal; street lighting on public streets and roads within such Project and on the boundaries thereof; and adequate sewer services for the Project; and

(b) Upon request, recommend to the proper board or officer the laying out as public ways of such interior streets, roads, alleys, and adjacent sidewalks which are within the area of the Project and which comply with the applicable regulations of the City as the PHA or the Authority (as owner of the Project) may wish; and

(c) Cooperate with the Authority by such other lawful actions or ways as the city and the Authority may find necessary in connection with the administration of the Project.

If the City shall, within a reasonable time after written notice from the Authority, fail or refuse to furnish or cause to be furnished any of the services or facilities which it is obliged hereunder to furnish or cause to be furnished to the Authority or to the Project, or shall make any charges therefor, then the Authority may either pay such charges or proceed to obtain such services or facilities elsewhere, and deduct the cost thereof from any Payments in Lieu of Taxes due or to become due to the City from the Authority in respect to the Project or any other low-rent housing projects assisted by the PHA.

The Cooperation Agreement must be executed on or before June 30, 1951. Because of the shortage of time and the urgency of the situation, we respectfully request speedy action in securing the approval of the City Council.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,
JAMES J. MAHAR, Chairman.

COOPERATION AGREEMENT.

This Agreement, entered into this..... day of....., 1951, by and between the Boston Housing Authority (herein called the "Authority") and the City of Boston (herein called the "City"), witnesseth:

In consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, the Authority and the City do agree:

1. The Authority, as lessee of the Public Housing Administration (herein called the "PHA"), is operating a certain low-rent housing project (herein called the "Project"), located within the corporate limits of the City and known as Old Harbor Village.

2. Said Project, being now owned by the PHA under authority of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, is exempt from all taxes imposed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or any county, municipality, or local Taxing Body thereof.

3. Under the constitution and statutes of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Project, if owned by the Authority, would be exempt from all real and personal property taxes and special assessments levied or imposed by any Taxing Body.

4. The Authority, pursuant to the terms of the lease of said Project from the PHA, may, with the approval of the PHA, enter into Cooperation Agreements which provide for the payment of annual sums in lieu of taxes (herein called "Payments in Lieu of Taxes").

5. The Authority is desirous of making certain Payments in Lieu of Taxes to the City, and the City is desirous of cooperating with the Authority and the PHA by furnishing or causing to be furnished to the Project and the tenants thereof certain public services.

6. Whenever used in this Agreement:

(a) The term "Taxing Body" shall mean the State or any political subdivision or taxing unit thereof (including the City) in which the Project is situated and which would have authority to assess or levy real or personal property taxes or to certify such taxes to a taxing body or public officer to be levied for its use and benefit with respect to the Project if it were not exempt from taxation.

(b) The term "Shelter Rent" shall mean the total of all charges to all tenants of the Project for dwelling rents and non-dwelling rents (excluding all other income of such Project), LESS the cost to the Authority of all dwelling and non-dwelling utilities.

7. So long as the Project is leased or owned by the Authority and either (a) such Project is used for low-rent housing purposes, or (b) any contract between the Authority and the PHA for loans or annual contributions, or both, in connection with such Project shall remain in force and effect, or (c) any bonds issued in connection with such Project shall remain outstanding, whichever period is the longest (said period being hereafter referred to as the "Agreement Period"), the City agrees that it will not levy or impose any real or personal property taxes or special assessments upon such Project or upon the Authority with respect thereto.

8. During such portion of the Agreement Period as the Project is leased by the Authority, Payments in Lieu of Taxes shall be made by the Authority at times, in amounts, and subject to the conditions and limitations as follows:

(a) Promptly after the execution of this Agreement there shall be paid, for and on account of the federal fiscal year 1951, the sum of $48,736.15, and after the end of such federal fiscal year 1951 there shall be paid, for and on account of such fiscal year, an additional amount equal to ten per cent (10%) of the aggregate Shelter Rent charged by the Authority in respect to the Project during such federal fiscal year 1951.

(b) Promptly after the end of the federal fiscal year 1952, there shall be paid, for and on account of such federal fiscal year 1952, an amount equal to (i) ten per cent (10%) of the aggregate Shelter Rent charged by the Authority

in respect to the Project during such federal fiscal year 1952, plus (ii) an additional amount equal to any portion of the aggregate payments provided in subparagraph (a) above for the federal fiscal year 1951 which may not be payable for or on account of federal fiscal year 1951 because of the limitations contained in subparagraphs (e) and (f) of this paragraph 8.

(c) Promptly after the end of the federal fiscal year 1953 and each federal fiscal year thereafter, there shall be paid, for and on account of each such fiscal year, an amount equal to ten per cent (10%) of the aggregate Shelter Rent charged by the Authority in respect to the Project during such federal fiscal year.

(d) Upon failure of the Authority to make any such Payments in Lieu of Taxes, no lien against the Project or any assets of the Authority shall attach, nor shall any interest or penalties accrue or attach on account thereof.

(e) No payments for or on account of any fiscal year shall be made to the City which in the aggregate exceed the amount of the real property taxes which would have been paid to the City for such year if the Project were not exempt from taxation.

(f) No payments for or on account of any fiscal year shall be made which exceed the amounts permitted to be paid by applicable state law in effect on the date of this Cooperation Agreement.

9. During such portion of the Agreement Period as the Project is owned by the Authority, Payments in Lieu of Taxes shall be made by the Authority in the amounts and subject to the conditions and limitations contained in the preceding Paragraph 8, except that such payments shall be made after the end of the fiscal year established for such Project, and the Shelter Rent forming the basis for determining the amount of Payments in Lieu of Taxes due hereunder shall be the aggregate Shelter Rent charged by the Authority in respect to the Project during such fiscal year.

10. During the Agreement Period the City, without cost or charge to the Authority, to the PHA, or to the tenants of the Project (other than the Payments in Lieu of Taxes) shall:

(a) Furnish or cause to be furnished to the Authority and the tenants of the Project the public services and facilities which are furnished without cost or charge to other dwellings and inhabitants in the City, including but not limited to: educational, fire, police, and health protection services; maintenance and repair of public streets, roads and sidewalks, and of sewer systems; snow removal; garbage, trash and ash collection and disposal; street lighting on public streets and roads within such Project and on the boundaries thereof; and adequate sewer services for the Project; and

(b) Upon request, recommend to the proper board or officer the laying out as public ways of such interior streets, roads, alleys, and adjacent sidewalks which are within the area of the Project and which comply with the applicable regulations of the City as the PHA or the Authority (as owner of the Project) may wish; and

(c) Cooperate with the Authority by such other lawful actions or ways as the City and the Authority may find necessary in connection with the administration of the Project.

11. If the City shall, within a reasonable time after written notice from the Authority, fail or refuse to furnish or cause to be furnished any of the services or facilities which it is obliged hereunder to furnish or cause to be furnished to the Authority or to the Project, or shall make any charges therefor, then the Authority may either pay such charges or proceed to obtain such services or facilities elsewhere, and deduct the cost thereof from any Payments in Lieu of Taxes due or to become due to the City from the Authority in respect to the Project or any other low-rent housing projects assisted by the PHA.

12. This Agreement constitutes the sole agreement between the Authority and the City with respect to Payments in Lieu of Taxes on the Project and the furnishing of public services therefor, all other such agreements, if any, being hereby canceled and abrogated.

13. This Agreement shall be and become binding upon the parties hereto when, and only when, duly approved by the PHA.

In witness whereof, the City and the Authority have respectively caused this Agreement to be duly executed as of the day and year first above written.

Approved as to form:

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Corporation Counsel.

CITY OF BOSTON,
By .....
Mayor.

ATTEST:

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City Clerk.

Approved as to form:

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General Counsel.

BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY.
By .....
Chairman.

ATTEST:

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Assistant Secretary.

Approved ....., 19.....
PUBLIC HOUSING ADMINISTRATION,
By .....

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Ordered, That the City of Boston enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the Boston Housing Authority in the following form, and that the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized and empowered to execute and deliver such Agreement in the name and behalf of the City of Boston:

Referred to the Executive Committee.

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT RE OLD COLONY HOUSING PROJECT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

As your Honorable Body knows, the United States of America (Public Housing Administration, Housing and Home Finance Agency) owns the Old Colony housing project in South Boston. By a resolution adopted by your Honorable Body on December 28, 1950, and approved by me on the following day, request was made of the Administrator of the Housing and Home Finance Agency for the conveyance of the Project to the Boston Housing Authority under the provisions of Public Law 475, approved by the President April 20, 1950.

If this request is not to lapse, your Honorable Body must pass two additional votes before June 30, 1951: (1) A resolution determining that it will be in the best interests of the community to make the project available as low-rent housing for families of low income; and (2) an order enabling the execution of a so-called Cooperation Agreement between the City and the Boston Housing Authority. Attached hereto is a communication received by me from James J. Mahar, Chairman of the Boston Housing Authority, outlining in detail the various factors involved in the matter.

Prudence would seem to dictate that the Boston Housing Authority's option on the Project not be permitted to lapse. Accordingly, I recommend that your Honorable Body adopt, before June 30, 1951, both the resolution and the order transmitted herewith.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Housing Authority,
June 21, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Cooperation Agreement, Old Colony Development, Mass. 19051.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find proposed Cooperation Agreement between this Authority and the City of Boston pursuant to Public Law 475 of 1950, sections 606 and 607.

The Old Colony Project is presently owned by the Federal Government and subject to lease to the Boston Housing Authority. You will recall, however, that the City Council of the City of Boston adopted a resolution on December 28, 1950, which was approved by you on December 29, 1950, which, in substance, requested the Administrator of the Housing and Home Finance Agency to

convey the project to the Boston Housing Authority as a federally aided low-rent Housing project.

The principal factors involved in the proposed conveyance are the following:

(a) Under Public Law 415, this Project must be either converted into a low-rent housing project as set forth in the above-cited resolution, or must be disposed of to private interests.

(b) At present ad valorem taxes are being paid to the city on this project. For example, in 1951 the sum of $208,371.40 will be paid to the City. Upon conversion to a low-rent housing project the annual payment in lieu of taxes will be approximately $41,573, which is an amount equal to 10 per cent of the shelter rents as provided in the Cooperation Agreement.

(c) Eight hundred seventy-three families are now in occupancy in the Project. Of this number, 567 would continue to be eligible for continued occupancy. The remainder would not, inasmuch as their income would be too high.

The proposed Cooperation Agreement provides in substance that upon the transformation of this Project from a war-housing use to a low-income housing project this Authority will pay to the City for the first two years an amount equal to the ad valorem tax for that period. At the end of that period the Authority would then pay an amount equal to ten (10) per cent of the "Shelter Rents" for each subsequent year. Upon conveyance title would, of course, be then vested in this Authority.

It also provides that no payment in lieu of taxes for any year shall be made to the Municipality in excess of the amount of real property taxes which would have been paid to the Municipality for such year as the Project was not exempt from taxation.

It likewise provides that during the period commencing with the date of acquisition of the Project and continuing so long as either (i) such project is owned by a public body or governmental agency and is used for low-rent housing purposes; or (ii) any contract between the Authority and the PHA in connection with such Project remains in force and effect; or (iii) any monies due to the PHA in connection with such Project remain unpaid, whichever period is the longest, the Municipality without cost or charge to the Authority or the tenants of such project (other than the Payments in Lieu of Taxes), shall:

(a) Furnish or cause to be furnished to the Authority and the tenants of such Project public services and facilities of the same character and to the same extent as are furnished from time to time without cost or charge to other dwellings and inhabitants in the Municipality.

(b) Recommend to the proper boards or officers (i) such deviations from the building code of the Municipality as are reasonable and necessary to promote economy and efficiency in the administration of such Project, and at the same time safeguard health and safety, and (ii) such changes in any zoning of the site and surrounding territory of such project as are reasonable and necessary for the protection of such project and the surrounding territory.

(c) Accept grants of easements necessary for the administration of such Project; and

(d) Cooperate with the Authority by such other lawful actions or ways as the Municipality and the Authority may find necessary in connection with the administration of such Project.

In respect to the Project the Municipality further agrees that within a reasonable time after receipt of a written request therefor from the Authority it will recommend to the proper board or officer the laying out as public ways of all streets and roads with their adjacent sidewalks, within the area of such Project, and the acceptance of all storm and sanitary sewer mains in such streets and roads.

If by reason of the Municipality's failure or refusal to furnish or cause to be furnished any public service or facility which it agrees to furnish or to cause to be furnished to the Authority or to the tenants of any Project, the Authority incurs any expense to obtain such service or facility, then the Authority may deduct the amount of such expense from any Payments in Lieu of Taxes due or to become due to the Municipality in respect to any Project or any other low-rent housing projects owned or operated by the Authority and assisted by the PHA.

The Cooperation Agreement must be executed on or before June 30, 1951. Because of the shortage of time and the urgency of the situation, we respectfully request speedy action.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I am,

Sincerely yours,
JAMES J. MAHAR, Chairman.

COOPERATION AGREEMENT.
(War Housing Conveyed for Low-Rent Use.)

This Agreement entered into this..... day of....., 1951, by and between the Boston Housing Authority (herein called the "Authority") and the City of Boston (herein called the "Municipality"), witnesseth:

Whereas, The City Council of the City of Boston (the governing body of the Municipality) has requested the Public Housing Administration (herein called the "PHA") to convey to the Authority certain war housing located within the corporate limits of the Municipality for use as low-rent housing; and

Whereas, The Authority proposes to accept conveyance of such housing and to enter into a contract or contracts with the PHA for the administration of such housing, pursuant to section 606 of Public Law 849, 76th Congress, as amended; and

Whereas, The Municipality is desirous of assisting and cooperating with the Authority in such undertakings;

Now, therefore, in consideration of the mutual convenants hereinafter set forth, the parties hereto do agree as follows:

1. Whenever used in this Agreement:

(a) The term "Project" shall mean any war housing which is hereafter conveyed to the Authority for low-rent use and for which the conveyance has been requested by the governing body of the Municipality.

(b) The term "Taxing Body" shall mean the State or any political subdivision or taxing unit thereof in which a Project is situated and which would have authority to assess or levy real or personal property taxes or to certify such taxes to a Taxing Body or public officer to be levied for its use and benefit with respect to a Project if it were not exempt from taxation.

(c) The term "Shelter Rent" shall mean the total of all charges to all tenants of a Project for dwelling rents and non-dwelling rents (excluding all other income of such Project), LESS the cost to the Authority of all dwelling and non-dwelling utilities.

2. The Authority shall endeavor to secure a contract or contracts with the PHA for the acquisition and operation of one or more Projects for low-rent use.

3. (a) Under the constitution and statutes of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts all Projects are exempt from all real and personal property taxes and special assessments levied or imposed by any Taxing Body. With respect to any Project, so long as either (i) such Project is owned by a public body or governmental agency and is used for low-rent housing purposes, or (ii) any contract between the Authority and the PHA in connection with such Project remains in force and effect, or (iii) any monies due to the PHA in connection with such Project remain unpaid, whichever period is the longest, the Municipality agrees that it will not levy or impose any real or personal property taxes or special assessments upon such Project or upon the Authority with respect thereto. During such period, the Authority shall make annual payments (herein called "Payments in Lieu of Taxes") to the Municipality in lieu of such taxes and special assessments and in payment for the public services and facilities furnished from time to time without other cost or charge for or with respect to such Project.

(b) The annual Payments in Lieu of Taxes which, if the Project were subject to taxation, would be assessable in the year in which the conveyance from the PHA to the Authority is made and in the next succeeding year shall each be in an amount equal to the real property taxes which would be paid to all Taxing Bodies for each of such years if the Project were not exempt from taxation, less any Payments in Lieu of Taxes previously paid by the Federal Government or the Authority for such year, and also less such allowance, if any, as may be considered by the Authority to be appropriate for expenditures by either the Federal Government or the Authority for the repair and maintenance of streets, utilities, or other public

services to serve such Project. Such payments shall be made at the time when real property taxes on such Project would be paid if it were subject to taxation.

(c) After the end of the two years referred to in paragraph 3 (b) above, each such annual Payment in Lieu of Taxes shall be made after the end of the fiscal year established for such Project, and shall be in an amount equal to either (i) ten per cent (10%) of the aggregate Shelter Rent charged to the Authority in respect to such Project during such fiscal year or portion thereof or (ii) the amount permitted to be paid by applicable state law in effect on the date such payment is made, whichever amount is the lower.

(d) No payment for any year shall be made to the Municipality in excess of the amount of the real property taxes which would have been paid to the Municipality for such year if the Project were not exempt from taxation.

(e) Upon failure of the Authority to make any Payments in Lieu of Taxes, no lien against any Project or assets of the Authority shall attach, nor shall any interest or penalties accrue or attach on account thereof.

(4) During the period commencing with the date of acquisition of any Project and continuing so long as either (i) such Project is owned by a public body or governmental agency and is used for low-rent housing purposes, or (ii) any contract between the Authority and the PHA in connection with such Project remains in force and effect, or (iii) any monies due to the PHA in connection with such Project remain unpaid, whichever period is the longest, the Municipality without cost or charge to the Authority or the tenants of such Project (other than the Payments in Lieu of Taxes), shall:

(a) Furnish or cause to be furnished to the Authority and the tenants of such Project public services and facilities of the same character and to the same extent as are furnished from time to time without cost or charge to other dwellings and inhabitants in the Municipality.

(b) Recommend to the proper boards or officers (i) such deviations from the building code of the Municipality as are reasonable and necessary to promote economy and efficiency in the administration of such Project, and at the same time safeguard health and safety, and (ii) such changes in any zoning of the site and surrounding territory of such Project as are reasonable and necessary for the protection of such Project and the surrounding territory.

(c) Accept grants of easements necessary for the administration of such Project; and

(d) Cooperate with the Authority by such other lawful actions or ways as the Municipality and the Authority may find necessary in connection with the administration of such Project.

5. In respect to any Project the Municipality further agrees that within a reasonable time after receipt of a written request therefor from the Authority it will recommend to the proper board or officer the laying out as public ways of all streets and roads with their adjacent sidewalks, within the area of such Project, and the acceptance of all storm and sanitary sewer mains in such streets and roads.

6. If by reason of the Municipality's failure or refusal to furnish or cause to be furnished any public service or facility which it has agreed hereunder to furnish or to cause to be furnished to the Authority or to the tenants of any Project, the Authority incurs any expense to obtain such service or facility, then the Authority may deduct the amount of such expense from any Payments in Lieu of Taxes due or to become due to the Municipality in respect to any Project or any other low-rent housing projects owned or operated by the Authority and assisted by the PHA.

7. No Cooperation Agreement heretofore entered into between the Municipality and the Authority shall be construed to apply to any Project covered by this Agreement.

8. So long as any contract between the Authority and the PHA in connection with any Project remains in force and effect, or so long as any monies due to the PHA in connection with any Project remain unpaid, this Agreement shall not be abrogated, changed, or modified without the consent of the PHA. The privileges and obligations of the Municipality hereunder shall remain in full force and effect with respect to each Project so long as the beneficial title to such Project is held by the Authority or by any other public body or governmental agency, including the PHA, authorized by law to engage in the development or administration of low-rent housing projects.

If at any time the beneficial title to, or possession of, any Project is held by such other public body or governmental agency, including the PHA, the provisions hereof shall inure to the benefit of and may be enforced by, such other public body or governmental agency, including the PHA.

In witness whereof, the Municipality and the Authority have respectively signed this Agreement and caused their seals to be affixed and attested as of the day and year first above written.

Approved as to form:

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Corporation Counsel.

City of Boston,
By .....
Mayor.

Attest:

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City Clerk.

Approved as to form:

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General Counsel.

Boston Housing Authority,
By .....
Chairman.

Attest:

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Assistant Secretary.

Whereas, The United States of America, acting through the Housing and Home Finance Agency, Public Housing Administration, owns permanent war housing now known as PHA Project No. 19051, consisting of 873 dwelling units, located in the City of Boston, Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and

Whereas, By a resolution adopted by this Council on December 28, 1950, and approved by the Mayor on December 29, 1950, the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Boston did request of the Administrator of the Housing and Home Finance Agency the conveyance of said PHA Project No. 19051 to the Boston Housing Authority, under the provisions of Public Law 475, approved by the President April 20, 1950; and

Whereas, A question has arisen as to the form of said resolution; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Boston, that said resolution be, and the same hereby is, amended by inserting after Section 1 thereof the following new section:

Section 1A. That it be, and hereby is, determined that it will be in the best interests of the community to make said PHA Project No. 19051 available as low-rent housing for families of low income.

This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its approval by the Mayor of the City of Boston.

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Ordered, That the City of Boston enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the Boston Housing Authority in the following form, and that the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized and empowered to execute and deliver such agreement in the name and behalf of the City of Boston.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

BEQUEST OF MRS. MARY FIFIELD KING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 25, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

By the twelfth clause of her last will and testament, Mrs. Mary Fifield King, late of Milton, Mass., who died on June 7, 1948 (see Norfolk Probate No. 116932), gave "unto the City of Boston the sum of one thousand dollars to be used for the benefit of the Emily A. Fifield School in . . . Dorchester, in such manner as the master or superintendent of that school shall direct." The administration of Mrs. King's estate has now progressed to the point where the executor, Marshall G. Bolster, Esquire, is ready to make payment of this legacy. Before he may properly

do so, however, the city, acting through your Honorable Body, must formally accept the trust involved. An order of acceptance is accordingly transmitted herewith.

We are very grateful, indeed, for Mrs. King's public-spirited bequest, which is of especial interest because Mrs. King was the daughter of Emily A. Fifield in whose honor the school benefacted is named. Mrs. King's mother, it may be recalled, was a member of the Boston School Committee during 1883, 1884, 1886, and continuously from 1888 to 1902, and largely instrumental in the establishment and development of various forms of manual training in Boston's public schools.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That the bequest of one thousand dollars given to the City of Boston by the twelfth clause of the last will and testament of Mrs. Mary Fifield King, who died on June 7, 1948 (see Norfolk Probate No. 116932), "to be used for the benefit of the Emily A. Fifield School in . . . Dorchester, in such manner as the master or superintendent of that school shall direct" be, and the same hereby is, accepted with gratitude; and, be it further

Ordered, That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name nad behalf of the city to receive and receipt for said bequest, with the increments thereto, if any, and directed to use the same for the benefit of the Emily A. Fifield School in Dorchester, in such manner as the master or superintendent of that school shall direct and for no other purpose.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

EXCHANGE OF LANDS WITH COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

The following was received:

Metropolitan District Commission,
June 25, 1951.

To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith an order authorizing an exchange of lands between the City of Boston and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan District Commission. The order calls for the conveyance by the City of Boston to the Metropolitan District Commission of a parcel of city-owned land on the southeasterly side of Washington street, West Roxbury district, being a portion of the Stony Brook Reservation.

This parcel of land was acquired by the City of Boston from the Metropolitan District Commission, pursuant to an order of the City Council passed June 8, 1942, and passed for a second time June 29, 1942. It was the intention at that time to construct a firehouse at the location, but this plan has long since been abandoned, and I am informed by the Fire Commissioner that the Fire Department has no interest in the premises.

Metropolitan District Commission Parcel No. 1 consists of approximately 10,041 square feet of land at the intersection of Haverhill and Perkins streets in the Charlestown district. Metropolitan District Commission Parcels No. 2 and No. 3 consist of approximately 9,152 square feet of land at the intersection of Rutherford avenue and Union street in the Charlestown district. These three parcels of land were acquired by the Metropolitan District Commission under the Statutes of 1949, chapter 673, for recreational purposes. The Metropolitan District Commission has established recreational facilities at these locations, and the areas are fully developed for playground purposes.

Metropolitan District Commission Parcel No. 4 consists of 3,152 square feet of land at the intersection of River street and Fairview avenue in the Hyde Park district and is, in fact, part of the traveled way of River street, although title to the land has remained in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan District Commission.

I believe that the exchange of lands contemplated by this order is in the best interest of the City of Boston and I recommend the speedy adoption of the same.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Whereas, The City of Boston is the owner in fee of a certain parcel of land hereinafter described and designated; and

Whereas, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan District Commission, is the owner in fee of certain parcels of land hereinafter described and designated; and

Whereas, It is deemed to be to the mutual interests and advantages of both the City of Boston and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan District Commission, to transfer to each other the said parcels of land hereinafter described and designated; now, therefore it is hereby

Ordered, That the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized to execute and deliver to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan District Commission, an instrument in writing, satisfactory in form to the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston, transferring all the City of Boston's right, title, and interest in and to the hereinafter designated parcel of property (City of Boston—Parcel No. 1), hereinafter described, in consideration of the said Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan District Commission's transferring all of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' right, title, and interest in and to the hereinafter designated parcels of property (Metropolitan District Commission—Parcel No. 1, Parcel No. 2, Parcel No. 3, and Parcel No. 4), hereinafter described.

City of Boston—Parcel No. 1.

A certain parcel of land containing approximately forty-six thousand nine hundred and fifty (46,950) square feet, situated on the southeasterly side of Washington street, in the Stony Brook Reservation, West Roxbury, and described and shown on a plan marked "Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan District Commission, Parks Division, Stony Brook Reservation, Boston, plan of land to be conveyed to the City of Boston, scale 1 inch equals 40 feet, May 11, 1942, Benjamin R. Davis, Director of Park Engineering."

Metropolitan District Commission—Parcel No. 1.

Beginning at the southwesterly corner of the granted premises, at a point in the easterly side line of Haverhill street at land of owner unknown, which point is distant northerly measuring along said side line of Haverhill street, forty-nine (49) feet from the intersection of said easterly side line of Haverhill street with the northeasterly side line of Perkins street, as shown on the plan hereinafter mentioned.

Thence, the line runs northerly by said easterly side line of Haverhill street, one hundred eighteen and 14–100 (118.14) feet to a point at land of owner unknown.

Thence, easterly by land of owner unknown, eighty-five (85) feet to a point at land of owner unknown.

Thence, southerly by land of owner unknown, one hundred eighteen and 14–100 (118.14) feet to a point at land of owner unknown.

Thence, westerly by land of owner unknown, eighty-five (85) feet to the point of beginning; containing ten thousand forty-one (10,041) square feet and being shown on a plan entitled "Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan District Commission, Parks Division, Plan of Taking for Two Recreational Areas Under Chapter 673, Acts of 1949, Boston (Charlestown District). . . April 27, 1950, Benjamin W. Fink, Director of Park Engineering," being plan accession No. 29054–V.T., a copy of which is recorded with the taking hereinafter mentioned.

Metropolitan District Commission—Parcel No. 2.

Beginning at the northwesterly corner of the granted premises, at the intersection of the southerly side line of a passageway with the northeasterly side line of Rutherford avenue, as shown on the plan above referred to.

Thence, the line runs northeasterly by said passageway, ninety-five and 9–100 (95.09) feet to a point at land of owner unknown.

Thence, southeasterly by said land of owner unknown, forty-five (45) feet to a point at land of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Thence, southwesterly by said land of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, seventy-nine and 27–100 (79.27) feet to a point in the northeasterly side line of Rutherford avenue.

Thence, northwesterly by said northeasterly side line of Rutherford avenue, forty-six (46) feet to the point of beginning; containing three thousand eight hundred twenty-four (3,824) square feet, more or less, of land and being shown on the aforesaid plan.

Metropolitan District Commission—Parcel No. 3.

Southwesterly by Rutherford avenue, fifty-six and 75-100 (56.75) feet; northwesterly by land now or formerly of Thomas W. Mullen *et al.*, seventy-nine and 27-100 (79.27) feet; northeasterly, four and 50-100 (4.50) feet, and northwesterly, thirty-five and 60-100 (35.60) feet by land now or formerly of Charles M. Cram; northeasterly by lands now or formerly of John J. Malone *et al.* and of Daniel O'Connell, forty-seven and 55-100 (47.55) feet; and southeasterly by said O'Connell land and lands now or formerly of George W. Haynes and of Thomas E. Walsh, ninety-four and 16-100 (94.16) feet.

All of said boundaries are determined by the Court to be located as shown on a plan drawn by A.N. Colman, Surveyor, dated February 9, 1924, as modified and approved by the Court, filed in the Land Registration Office as Plan No. 10046-A, a copy of a portion of which is filed with Certificate of Title No. 18121.

Metropolitan District Commission—Parcel No. 4.

Beginning at a stone bound set at the intersection of the northwesterly side line of River street with the northeasterly side line of Fairview avenue at land of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts known as Stony Brook reservation, as shown on the plan hereinafter mentioned.

Thence, the line runs north 59° 14′ 20″ west by said northeasterly side line of Fairview avenue, seventeen and 2-100 (17.02) feet to a point at said land of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Thence, in a general northeasterly direction by a line curving to the right, with a radius of three hundred thirty-one and 19-100 (331.19) feet by said land of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, two hundred twenty-five and 14-100 (225.14) feet to a point.

Thence, north 45° 14′ 43″ east by said land of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, sixty-three and 21-100 (63.21) feet to a stone bound set in said northwesterly side line of River street.

Thence, in a general southwesterly, southerly, and southeasterly direction by a line curving to the left, with a radius of four hundred forty-one and 12-100 (441.12) feet by said northwesterly side line of River street, two hundred eighty-six and 66-100 (286.66) feet to the bound first mentioned and point of beginning; containing three thousand one hundred fifty-two (3,152) square feet, more or less, and shown on a plan entitled "Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan District Commission, Parks Division, Stony Brook Reservation, Boston, Plan of land on River street to be transferred to the City of Boston for highway purposes . . . April 13, 1938, Benj. R. Davis, Director of Park Engineering," being plan accession number 24402-V.T., a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and it is hereby further

Ordered, That upon the transfer of the said parcels of land by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan District Commission, to the City of Boston, said parcels designated as Metropolitan District Commission—Parcel No. 1, Metropolitan District Commission—Parcel No. 2, and Metropolitan District Commission—Parcel No. 3 are hereby placed in the care, custody, and control of the Park Department of the City of Boston for park and playground purposes; and said parcel designated as Metropolitan District Commission—Parcel No. 4 is hereby placed in the care, custody, and control of the Public Works Department of the City of Boston for street purposes.

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

Alpha Lunch Company of Boston, for compensation for damage to property at 62 and 64 Summer street, caused by bursting water main.

Ralph W. Alvarez, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department.

Joseph Anastasio, for compensation for damage to property at 84 Tacoma street, Hyde Park, caused by change of grade of street.

Rache Apostol, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

James J. Barry, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department.

Berenson Liquor Mart, for compensation for damage to property at Summer and Otis streets, caused by break in water main.

Louis Bruno, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

James Coculo, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Elio Commito, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Main street, Charlestown.

Crossman's Market, Inc., for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Richard F. Crowley, for compensation for damage to property at 2 Shrewsbury road, West Roxbury, caused by break in water main.

Edward H. Dolan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department.

John F. Donovan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Walter C. Frye, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Walter Glennon, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department.

Edward T. Gregory, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Hardware Mutuals, for compensation for damage to car of William H. McMahon by city car.

Moses Jacobson, for compensation for injuries and damage to property caused by an alleged defect at 1163 Tremont street.

Martin J. Kennedy, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in American Legion Highway.

Louise M. Lyons, for compensation for damage to property at 482 Brookline avenue, caused by defective sewer pipes.

William J. McCarthy, to be reimbused as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department.

Martin McDonnell, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Public Works Department.

Luigi Micciche, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Florence Moses, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 28 Fawndale road.

Sadie A. Orton, to be paid for overtime work at City Hospital.

Arthur Penachio, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Faneuil Hall Market.

John F. Regan, Jr., to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Robert A. Simpson, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at Warrenton and Stuart streets.

Rhoda Slypack, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Columbus avenue and Arlington street.

Frank J. Tower, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Public Works Department.

Inez Whidden, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Washington and Summer streets.

John Wolfe, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Elnora Wynn, for compensation for damage to property at 173 Humboldt avenue, during repaving of Humboldt avenue.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received, viz.:

Gughelmina Fiorentino, Recital Hall, June 22, 1951.

Jean A. Chiampa, John Hancock Hall, June 25, 1951.

Lillian A. Chiampa, John Hancock Hall, June 25, 1951.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of Louis Levendorf and Henry J. D. Small, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved by the Council.

ANNUAL REPORT OF BOSTON FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND.

The Annual Report of the Treasurer of the Boston Firemen's Relief Fund, from September 1, 1949, to August 31, 1950, was received.
Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of ratification of vouchers and accounts under sections 6 and 12 of chapter 372, Acts of 1946, as amended.
Placed on file.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room on June 26, 1951, at 2.15 P.M. on petition of Boston Edison Company, for exemption of certain lands and the substation to be erected thereon, from the operation of the Zoning Law of the City of Boston, on the northeasterly side of Cedar avenue in the city of Boston, Dorchester District.
Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room on July 16, 1951, at 10 A.M. on investigation by the Department as to the propriety of rates and charges by Airways Transportation Company.
Severally placed on file.

WIDENING A PORTION OF STATE HIGHWAY, EAST BOSTON.

A copy of a layout and order of taking was received from the State Department of Public Works, widening a portion of Meridian street, East Boston, and re-establishing the location lines of said street.
Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. McCOLGAN, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:
Report on petition of Charles Goldberg (referred May 28) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of Highway Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:
Ordered, That the sum of two hundred eighteen dollars ($218) be allowed and paid to Charles Goldberg in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Highway Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of John J. McNamara (referred May 21) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of Boston Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:
Ordered, That the sum of three hundred fifty dollars ($350) be allowed and paid to John J. McNamara in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of John J. Brown (referred May 28) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of Boston Fire Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:
Ordered, That the sum of sixty dollars and ninety-five cents ($60.95) be allowed and paid to John J. Brown in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of Boston Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.
Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:
Report on message of Mayor and order (referred November 21, 1949) on transfer of portion of Clarendon street to Metropolitan District Commission—that same ought to pass.
The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 17, nays 0:
Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Cantwell, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.
Nays—0.
The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:
1. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred June 11) of Roy C. Peck as Weigher of Coal for the term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that the appointment be confirmed.
The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Sullivan and Ramsey. Whole number of ballots 13, yeas 13, and the appointment was confirmed.

WELCOME TO JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF U. S. A.

Coun. COOK and ANSEL offered the following:
Whereas, The Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America, having been formed in 1896 by American veterans of the Jewish faith, dedicated, among other purposes, to "combat whatever tends to impair the efficiency and permanency of America's free institutions" has consistently been in the forefront of the foes of Communism, Nazism, Fascism and every other form of totalitarianism on both the foreign and domestic scenes;
Whereas, To implement its current program of exposing and overcoming the clear and present danger of aggressive, imperialistic Communism, the Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America plans to delineate and combat the nature and scope of the Communist challenge in the course of a special program in the City of Boston and in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on July 8, 1951, in association with officers and representatives of the Department of State of the United States, the All-American Conference to Combat Communism, and all other organizations interested and engaged in the fight against Communism.
Now, therefore, we, the members of the City Council of Boston in meeting assembled proclaim the welcome of our city to the Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America and commend it for its valuable endeavors in defense of the security and welfare of our country.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

"SLOW" SIGNS ON ROWELL STREET, WARD 13.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered that his Honor the Mayor direct the Traffic Commissioner to install "Slow" signs on Rowell street, Ward 13.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

CURBING ON BEACH STREET, WARD 16.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install curbing on the sidewalks on Beach street, Ward 16.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ROPING OFF FRANKLIN FIELD FOR TRACK MEET, JULY 4.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the City Messenger be directed to rope off Franklin Field for the track meet to be held on the morning of July 4, the expenses to be charged to the City Council Appropriation for Ropes, Stakes, and Flags.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

PURCHASE OF HIPPOPOTAMUS BY PARK DEPARTMENT.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to purchase the hippopotamus ordered by Councilor Ansel, to replace the one that died, for the enjoyment and pleasure of the children of Boston.
Objection being made to the immediate passage of the order, it was assigned to the next meeting by the Chair.

ROPING OFF DORCHESTER TOWN FIELD, JULY 4.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That the City Messenger be directed to rope off the Dorchester Town Field for the evening of July 4, in connection with the July 4 city celebrations, the expenses to be charged to Ropes, Stakes and Flags.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON BURT AND ASHMONT STREETS.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric lights on Burt and Ashmont streets, Ward 17.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

PAY RAISES TO EMPLOYEES IN TRAINING PROGRAM, PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

Coun. BEADES, F. P. TRACEY, and ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Superintendent of Printing to immediately take steps to pay the employees of his department who are engaged in the training program the raises that they are entitled to.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MAYOR ON HIS EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION.

Coun. McCOLGAN and F. P. TRACEY offered the following:
Resolved, That the Boston City Council go on record as congratulating his Honor the Mayor for his efficient administration which has brought about a reduction of the tax rate in these days when the rising cost of living has resulted in higher cost of material and higher wages to employees.
Objection being made to the immediate adoption of the resolution, it was assigned to the next meeting by the Chair.

ROPING OFF WILLIAM F. SMITH PLAYGROUND, JULY 3.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the City Messenger to rope off William F. Smith Playground in Ward 22 on July 3 at 10 P.M., for the purpose of holding a bonfire in conjunction with the City of Boston public celebrations program.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Coffey, the Council voted to take a recess at 2.46 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order at 4.50 P.M. by President HURLEY.

PENSION TO CHARLES J. SERGEI.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That Charles J. Sergei be, and he hereby is, pensioned, effective July 1, 1951, under chapter 319 of the Acts of 1951, at the full pay received by him at the time of his retirement.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION FOR DISTRIBUTION OF MTA DEFICITS.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That Mayor Hynes be requested to direct the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston to prepare legislation for presentation to the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for distribution of the excess burden of the Metropolitan Transit Authority deficit on a more equitable basis; and be it therefore recommended
(1) That, since the Metropolitan Transit Authority is a state agency by virtue of the action of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and by the Boston City Council, the costs of operating and maintaining this transit system which exceeds the income be levied against the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the deficit be paid from the general fund of the state;
or
(2) That the so-called "fringe" cities and towns, who now receive the benefits of the Metropolitan Transit Authority and do not contribute toward its operation other than payment of the fare, be proportionately assessed to meet the road deficit along with the 14 cities and towns now directly serviced and assessed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC WALK AROUND BANDSTAND AT MARINE PARK.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Metropolitan District Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic walks to replace the gravel paths in the circle surrounding the bandstand at Marine Park.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

CLEANING AND REPAIRING BENCHES IN CITY POINT AREA.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Metropolitan District Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to clean the beaches and repair the benches in the City Point area, which are in a deplorable condition.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

TAKING OF OATH OF ALLEGIANCE BY CANDIDATES.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Election Commissioners be instructed, through his Honor the

Mayor, to require all prospective candidates for the new City Council to take an oath of allegiance to the United States.

The Chair ruled the order out of order.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON P STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on P street, from East First street to Columbia road, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON EAST THIRD STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on East Third street, from I street to Dorchester street, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for entering into cooperation agreement with Boston Housing Authority re Old Harbor Village Housing Project—that same ought to pass.

The report of the committee was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—0.

2. Report on message of Mayor and resolution and order (referred today) for entering into cooperation agreement with Boston Housing Authority re Old Colony Housing Project—that same ought to pass.

The report of the committee was accepted, and the resolution and order were passed, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—0.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) on acceptance of bequest of $1,000 under will of Mrs. Mary Fifield King—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

4. Report on resolution (referred June 11) protesting statement allegedly made by Judge MacLeod regarding veterans—that same ought not to pass, and that the resolution be expunged from the record.

The report of the committee was accepted. The resolution was rejected, and the resolution as printed on page 167 was expunged from the record.

ROPING OFF RONAN PARK, JULY 4.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized, through his Honor the Mayor, to rope off Ronan Park, Ward 15, Dorchester, on Wednesday, July 4, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Ropes, Stakes, and Flags.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ROPING OFF HEALEY FIELD, JULY 3 AND JULY 4.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized to rope off Healey Field, Roslindale, for a motion picture show on the night of July 3, 1951, and also for the running races on the morning of July 4, 1951, the expense of same to be charged to the appropriation for Ropes, Stakes, and Flags.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ROPING OFF LAMARTINE STREET PLAYGROUND, JULY 3 AND 4.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized to rope off the Lamartine Street playground for a motion picture show on the night of July 3, 1951, and also for the running races on the morning of July 4, 1951, the expense of same to be charged to the appropriation for Ropes, Stakes, and Flags.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL ON FOREST HILLS STREET, JAMAICA PLAIN.

Coun. P. A. TRACY called up No. 1 on the Calendar, assigned from June 11, 1951, viz.:

Order opposing changes in zoning law to permit establishing of a tuberculosis hospital on Forest Hills Street, Jamaica Plain.

The order was passed, yeas 11, nays 6:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Bryan, Coffey, Farin, Kinsella, McColgan, McCormack, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler—11.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Cook, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, Yerxa—6.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JOSEPH F. EARTBAWEY.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Rexhame street and Belgrade avenue, Ward 20, in honor of Joseph F. Eartbawey, 14th Combat Engineers, U. S. Army, who was killed in action in Korea on August 12, 1950.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PORTABLE DANCE FLOOR AT THURSDAY NIGHT CONCERTS, CASTLE ISLAND.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a portable dancing floor for the use of those persons who desire to dance during the Thursday night concerts at Castle Island.

Passed under suspension of the rule.

Adjourned at 4.15 P.M., on motion of Councilor Cook, to meet on Monday, July 2, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, July 2, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors F. P. Tracey and P. A. Tracy.

Monsignor William J. Daly, of Saint Columbkille's Roman Catholic Church, in Brighton, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY MONSIGNOR WILLIAM J. DALY.

Direct, O Lord, we beseech Thee, all our actions to carry them on by Thy gracious assistance, that every thought, word, deed, and action of ours may always begin from Thee and by Thee happily ended.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn, in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Wenzler presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Sixty-four traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear August 6, 1951:

Pierre I. Nony, Ward 2; James R. Benjamin, Ward 4; Thomas A. Donnelly, Ward 6; William J. Prendergast, Ward 6; Harry Grant, Ward 7; George H. Kennedy, Ward 7; Raymond E. Shaughnessy, Ward 7; Denis Sheehan, Ward 7; John W. Boykin, Ward 8; John Burgio, Ward 8; Arthur E. Crozier, Ward 8; Robert A. MacInnis, Ward 8; Raymond L. O'Donnell, Ward 8; Mildred Brown, Ward 9; Eugene A. Caines, Ward 9; Norman E. Demarais, Ward 9; Allen Jones, Ward 9; Nicholas Shirkoff, Ward 9; John F. Hagerty, Ward 10; James F. Johnson, Ward 10; John T. Bagley, Ward 11; William H. Metten, Ward 11; Margaret T. Pulaski, Ward 11; Timothy E. Burke, Ward 13; George Dushane, Ward 14; Julius Kaufman, Ward 14; Philip M. Nelson, Ward 14; Benjamin Shaevel, Ward 14; Samuel Sidman, Ward 14; Luella A. Stanley, Ward 14; Fred C. Maloof, Ward 15; Cyril F. McGerigle, Ward 15; James Murray, Ward 15; Gertrude E. Boushell, Ward 16; James J. McShane, Ward 16; Eugene H. Smith, Ward 16; Raymond I. Blanchette, Ward 17; Charles W. Chute, Ward 17; Samuel Silverman, Ward 17; Worden B. Todd, Ward 17; Sidney Croll, Ward 18; William J. Johnston, Ward 18; Eugene W. Kenney, Ward 18; Nathan Kramer, Ward 18; Fred J. Maguire, Ward 18; Thorwald Torgerson, Ward 18; Homer W. Allen, Ward 19; William J. Breen, Ward 19; Howard W. Burnett, Ward 19; George M. Hommer, Ward 19; John J. Niland, Ward 19; Joseph N. Adams, Ward 20; Robert F. Houlihan, Ward 20; Catherine A. Jennings, Ward 20; Frederick B. Kerrick, Ward 20; William J. Lewey, Ward 20; Phillip C. Newton, Ward 20; Frank W. Ryan, Ward 20; John T. Callahan, Ward 21; Henry G. Ferguson, Ward 21; Walter B. Mahan, Ward 21; Milton Stern, Ward 21; John L. Toomey, Ward 21; John F. Reen, Ward 22.

REQUEST TO ALLOW TELEPHONES AND TELEVISION SETS TO CERTAIN RECIPIENTS OF AID.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 2, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary to the Overseers of the Public Welfare relative to your order of June 11, 1951, requesting that the Aid to Dependent Children Division be instructed not to prohibit recipients from having telephones or television sets in their homes.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Overseers of Public Welfare,
June 26, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in response to your memorandum concerning the following June 11, 1951, order of the City Council:

"Ordered, That the Overseers of Public Welfare be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to instruct the Aid to Dependent Children Division not to prohibit recipients from having telephones or television sets in their homes."

Recipients of Aid to Dependent Children are not prohibited from having telephones or television sets in their homes. It is true, however, that public assistance is not granted to pay for them. Some have been in the home before need for assistance arose and some have been given by relatives.

Yours sincerely,
WILLIAM G. O'HARE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER FROM PARKMAN FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 2, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners requesting the appropriation of $39,000 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

The 1951 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of $183,000 from the Parkman Fund. The budget allowances made provision for the appropriation of this income as it accrued for the purpose of defraying the cost of work actually performed on the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

I submit herewith an order appropriating the sum of $39,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, June 28, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners, you are respectfully asked to request the City Council to transfer from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund the sum of $39,000 which is now available, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of $39,000

When the budget estimates were made up for the year 1951, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item 100, Permanent Employees, with the

understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1951, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of thirty-nine thousand dollars ($39,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of..... $39,000

Referred to Committee on Parkman Fund.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

William F. Carr, for compensation for damage to property at 390 K street, caused by employees of Sewer Division.

Saul S. Chipman, for compensation for damage to car by car of Traffic Commission.

Harold E. Clancy, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

James F. Collins, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Police Department.

Daniel L. Crowley, to be reimbursed for damages to clothing while in performance of duty as police officer.

Paul DeCristoforo, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Anthony Dell'Orfano, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Robert E. Fitzgerald, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Police Department.

John Geba, for compensation for damage to property at 20 Linwood street, Roxbury, caused by water being shut off.

Thomas H. Green, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department.

Richard S. Judge, to be reimbursed as result of executions issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Public Works Department.

Mary A. Kiley, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 72 Draper street, Dorchester, caused by water being shut off.

Lalime & Partridge, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 1255 Boylston street, caused during widening of Boylston street.

Thomas F. O'Leary, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in South street.

Rosalie C. Rich, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Yolanda Savino, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Cottage street and Maverick street.

David Shadoff, for compensation for damage to car by car of Park Department.

Annie T. Sheehan, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 112 Murdock street, Brighton, caused by water being shut off.

Armenio Statuto, for compensation for damage to car by patrol wagon.

Ward Baking Company, for compensation for damage to truck by fire apparatus.

Mrs. Douglas Williams, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Washington street.

Executive.

Petition of Mrs. Frances M. Sheehan to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Daniel J. Sheehan, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Mrs. Martha E. Hodgkinson to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, William J. Hodgkinson, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Mrs. Ella M. Simmons to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John E. Simmons, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Joseph A. Waters, officer, House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, for retirement as veteran.

NOTICE OF LAND-TAKING BY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION.

Notice was received from the Metropolitan District Commission of taking of land on Charles street.

Placed on file.

NOTICE FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing on July 16, 1951, Room 166, State House, Boston, at 2.15 P.M., on investigation by the department as to proposed curtailment of service by Dedham-Needham Transit Lines, Inc.

Placed on file.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Communications were received from the State Department of Public Works transmitting copies of orders of layouts and takings for portion of Boston Central Artery.

Severally placed on file.

LIST OF JURORS.

The following was received:

City of Boston.
Office of the City Clerk,
July 2, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that the list of inhabitants qualified to serve as jurors, prepared by the Election Commissioners and printed in City Document No. 46, was filed with me on June 29, 1951. It contains 9,725 names.

Respectfully,
W. J. MALLOY, City Clerk.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notice of the following appointments were received from the Mayor:

Daniel Weisberg, 45 Supple road, Roxbury, to be member of the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds, for the term ending April 30, 1953, vice Benjamin Spinoza, deceased.

Maxwell Shapiro, 400 Commonwealth avenue, to be member of the Massachusetts Market Authority, for the term ending June 30, 1955.

Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

1. Report on the appointment by the Mayor (referred June 25) of Otis S. Brown and Bernard G. Bowers as Weighers of Coal, for the term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that the appointments be confirmed.

2. Report on the appointment by the Mayor (referred June 25) of Charles F. O'Donnell and Robert J. Bernier as Weighers of Goods, for the term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that the appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Bryan and Kinsella. Whole number of ballots 12 yeas 12, and the appointments were confirmed.

ERECTION OF SCHOOLS AND CONSTRUCTION OF PLAYGROUNDS, CALF PASTURE.

Coun. McCOLGAN and HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Law Department to take by eminent domain land in that part of Boston known as the Calf Pasture, for the purpose of erecting necessary schools and constructing playground and park areas.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Coun. BRYAN in the chair.

PURCHASE OF HIPPOPOTAMUS BY PARK DEPARTMENT.

Coun. ANSEL called up No. 1 on the Calendar, assigned from June 25, 1951, viz.:

1. Order requesting the Park Commissioner to purchase a certain hippopotamus.

Coun. COOK moved that the order be referred to the Executive Committee, and the motion was lost.

Coun. COOK in the chair.

On motion of Councilor Coffey the order was assigned to the next meeting.

NAMING INTERSECTION IN HONOR OF CHARLES D. LITCHFIELD.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the intersection at Folsom street and Dudley street in Dorchester, Ward 13, in honor of Pfc. Charles D. Litchfield, U. S. Army, who died in the service of his country in southern France on March 17, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF ANNAPOLIS STREET, WARD 13.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Board of Street Commissioners to accept and lay out as a public way Annapolis street in Ward 13, Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPAIRS TO TENNIS COURTS ON GRAMPIAN WAY.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Park Commissioner to make proper repairs to the tennis courts on Grampian Way, Dorchester, Ward 13.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

COMPLETION OF RECONSTRUCTION OF EDNA ROAD.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct the Public Works Commissioner to order the contractor reconstructing Edna road, Ward 16, Dorchester, to immediately take steps to finish the construction of this road, or if he is not able, to cancel his contract.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

DISABILITY PAYMENTS TO JOHN C. CAWLEY.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Police Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to provide for disability payments to John C. Cawley, formerly attached to Division 15, from August 29, 1950, through October 31, 1950; said disability having been incurred in the line of duty.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PLANTING TREES ON CLANCY ROAD.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to plant trees on Clancy road in Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF MANCHESTER STREET IN PART.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Street Commissioner to accept Manchester street, from Cedar to 190 Manchester street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPAIR OF SIDEWALK AT 518 EAST BROADWAY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair the granolithic sidewalk in front of 518 East Broadway, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON BOLTON STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Bolton street, from C street to D street, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPAIR OF DRINKING FOUNTAIN ON EAST BROADWAY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair the drinking fountain on East Broadway, near Dorchester street, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SALARY INCREASE TO CERTAIN OFFICIALS IN ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby favors the enactment of legislation authorizing the payment by the City of Boston of a $5 a week increase to the chairman of the Board of Assessors, each of the four principal assessors, and each of the five deputy assessors, effective June 1, 1951, for those employees paid semimonthly or monthly, and effective June 6, 1951, for those employees paid weekly; provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION RE CERTAIN DESCRIPTIVE WORDS ON BALLOT.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately file a bill in the Legislature to repeal section 55a of chapter 376 of the Acts of 1951, so as to provide that candidates for election to the Boston City Council under Plan "A" shall be allowed to use the words "Present City Councilor" after their names on the ballot, without having to insert the ward number.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition (referred June 11) of Plymouth and Brockton Street Railway Company for license to operate motor vehicles on St. James avenue, Stuart street, and Columbus avenue—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the license was granted under usual conditions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PARKMAN FUND.

Coun. LANE, for the Committee on Parkman Fund, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for appropriation of $39,000 from income of Parkman Fund, to be expended under direction of Park Commissioner—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Wenzler, Yerxa—15.

Nays—0.

SURVEY OF WATER PRESSURE IN WELLINGTON HILL STREET AREA.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Public Works Commissioner request the Division Engineer of the Water Division to make a survey for the purpose of applying water pressure in the Wellington Hill Street area.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GLEASON STREET ONE WAY.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor, the Traffic Commission be requested to study the advisability of making Gleason street a one-way thoroughfare.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MAYOR ON HIS EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION.

Coun. McCOLGAN called up No. 2 on the Calendar, assigned from June 25, 1951, viz.:

2. Resolution congratulating the Mayor on his efficient administration.

On motion of Councilor Coffey the order was laid on the table.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Ramsey the Council voted to take a recess at 3.15 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman COOK at 3.36 P.M.

THE NEXT MEETING.

Coun. KINSELLA moved that when the Council adjourned, it would be to meet again on Monday, July 23, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Coun. McCORMACK in the chair.

President HURLEY in the chair.

The motion that when the Council adjourned, it would be to meet again on July 23, 1951, was lost, yeas 8, nays 8:

Yeas—Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, McColgan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Yerxa—8.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Lanigan, McCormack, Wenzler—8.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. On the petition (referred today) of Joseph A. Waters, officer, House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, to be retired as a veteran—recommending passage of the following order:

Whereas, Joseph A. Waters, employed in the service of the County of Suffolk as correction officer in the House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, has made application to be retired under the provisions of section 57 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended; and

Whereas, The said Joseph A. Waters has submitted to the City Council satisfactory evidence that he is a veteran as defined in section 56 of chapter 32 of the General Laws; that he has been certified for retirement for disability by the duly authorized medical board; that he has been in the service of the county at least ten years; that he is incapacitated for active service; and that his total income from all sources, exclusive of his retirement allowance and of any sum received from the government of the United States as a pension for war service, does not exceed one thousand dollars;

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 57 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended, Joseph A. Waters, employed in the service of the County of Suffolk as correction officer in the House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, be, and hereby is, retired by the Mayor and City Council, acting as county commissioners, at an annual pension of two thousand two hundred and five dollars, being 63 per cent of his highest regular rate of compensation.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred June 11) to accept gift of motor vehicle to Civil Defense Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

Adjourned at 3.55 P.M., on motion of Councilor Wenzler, to meet on Monday, July 9, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, July 9, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors F. P. Tracey and P. A. Tracy.

The Reverend John A. Palmieri, of the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church of East Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. JOHN A. PALMIERI.

O God, Who hast ordained that men live in peaceful society under the fatherhood of God, grant these chosen representatives of Thy people humbly to accept its dignity to faithfully fulfill their duties. Illumine their minds with Thy constant assistance that they may clearly see that which is true. Strengthen their hearts in the face of unforeseen difficulties.

Let not their earthly success cause them to forget Thee, the author and giver of all things.

May the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost descend upon you and remain forever. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner precribed by law, Councilor Lanigan presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Six additional grand jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear August 1, 1951:

Augustin Joseph Thibodeau, Ward 1; Antonio Moschella, Ward 4; Louis Barr, Ward 14; William D. Chisholm, Ward 14; Bertha Wilansky, Ward 14; Samuel L. Karp, Ward 21.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointment:

Constable, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond for the term ending April 30, 1952: Harry Freedman, 129 Columbia road, Dorchester.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

"STOP" SIGNS AT WARREN STREET INTERSECTIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of May 28, 1951, requesting the placement of "Stop" signs at the corners of Elm Hill avenue and Warren street, and Waumbeck street and Warren street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 2, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: City Council Order Dated May 28, 1951, Requesting "Stop" Signs Be Placed at the Corners of Elm Hill Avenue and Warren Street, and Waumbeck Street and Warren Street.

Dear Sir:

In reply to above Council order please be advised that at a meeting of the Traffic Commission held on June 21, 1951, it was voted to establish the following as isolated "Stop" streets:

Warren Street, Roxbury.
At Elm Hill avenue.
At Waumbeck street.

These regulations become effective on July 16, at which time the necessary signs will be erected.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

SACHEM STREET MADE ONE WAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of June 4, 1951, requesting that Sachem street, Ward 10, be made a one-way street, from Calumet street to Hillside street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 2, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: City Council Order Dated June 4, 1951, Requesting Sachem Street, Ward 10, Be Made One Way, from Calumet Street to Hillside Street.

Dear Sir:

In reply to above Council order please be advised that at a meeting of the Traffic Commission held on June 21, 1951, it was voted to make Sachem street one way, from Calumet street to Hillside street.

This regulation will become effective on July 23, 1951, at which time the necessary signs will be erected.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

LESTON AND VERRILL STREETS ONE WAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of June 4, 1951, to immediately study the advisability of making Leston and Verrill streets, Ward 14, one-way thoroughfares.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 2, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated June 4, 1951, Requesting Leston and Verrill Streets, Ward 14, Be Made One Way.

Dear Sir:

In reply to above Council order please be advised that at a meeting of the Boston Traffic

Commission held on June 21, 1951, the following streets were voted to be made one way:

Leston Street, Dorchester.
From Woolson street to Morton street.
Sutton Street, Dorchester.
From Woolson street to Morton street.
Verrill Street, Dorchester.
From Morton street to Woolson street.
Wildwood Street, Dorchester.
From Morton street to Woolson street.

These regulations will become effective on July 23, at which time the necessary signs will be erected.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

"SLOW" SIGNS ON ROWELL STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of June 25, 1951, requesting the installation of "Slow" signs on Rowell street, in Ward 13.

Respectfully,
JOHN B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
June 29, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

Re: Council Order Dated June 25, 1951, Requesting that "Slow" Signs Be Installed on Rowell Street, Ward 13.

In accordance with the above request orders will be issued to install the "Slow" signs in Rowell street.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL ON FOREST HILLS STREET, JAMAICA PLAIN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Health Commissioner relative to your order of June 25, 1951, requesting that the proposed establishment of a tuberculosis hospital in the Jamaica Plain district of Boston be rejected.

Respectfully,
JOHN B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Health Department, July 5, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of July 3, enclosing City Council order passed under date of June 25, 1951, relative to the proposed establishment of a tuberculosis hospital on Forest Hills street, Jamaica Plain.

On June 7, a hearing was held on a petition to establish a hospital at 215 Forest Hills street, Jamaica Plain, before the Building Commissioner and the Health Commissioner. Stenographic notes were taken at this hearing and are now being transcribed, but have not yet been received by the Health Commissioner.

I have today conferred with the Building Commissioner and every effort is being made to obtain a transcription of the hearing without delay. On its receipt, a complete study will be made of the material presented and I am confident that the Building Commissioner will give every consideration to the order passed by the City Council, as likewise, shall the Health Commissioner.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D.,
Health Commissioner.

Placed on file.

CURBSTONES ON E STREET, BETWEEN WEST SECOND AND WEST THIRD STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of June 4, 1951, requesting the straightening out of the curbstones on E street, between West Second and West Third streets, Ward 6, particularly in front of the St. Vincent's Church.

Respectfully,
JOHN B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 3, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works straighten the curbstones on E street, between West Second and West Third streets, Ward 6, particularly in front of St. Vincent's Church, and this will advise you that the local paving service district forces has reset 108.2 linear feet of edgestone and repaired 454.4 square feet of artificial stone sidewalk on E street, between West Second and West Third streets.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

STREET CLEANER AT CODMAN SQUARE ON SUNDAY MORNINGS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of June 11, 1951, requesting that a street cleaner be maintained at Codman square every Sunday morning as this will help keep the square in shipshape for the various churchgoers.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 6, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your memorandum of June 13, attaching order in Council, under date of June 11, 1951, request of Councilor Farin, as follows:

"Ordered, That the Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to maintain a street cleaner at Codman square every Sunday morning as this will help keep the square in shipshape for the various churchgoers."

A report received from the Sanitary Division states that a pushcart patrol has been as-

signed to this area for this purpose for four hours every Sunday morning, between the hours of six and ten o'clock.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON P STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of June 25, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on P street, from First street to Columbia road, in Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 2, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner install granolithic sidewalks on P street, from First street to Columbia road, in Ward 6, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for the installation of artificial stone sidewalks during the present year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON EAST THIRD STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of June 25, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on East Third street, from I to Dorchester street, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 2, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on East Third street, from Dorchester to I street, Ward 6, and this will advise you that this work on East Third street, from Dorchester to Emerson street, has been advertised for bids, and that portion from Emerson to I street will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for the installation of granolithic sidewalks during the present year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF SHAW STREET, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of June 11, 1951, requesting to accept, lay-out, and construct Shaw street, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
July 5, 1951.

Thomas C. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated June 11, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay-out, and construct Shaw street, Ward 20, as a public highway."

On April 24, 1951, we reported on a Council order dated March 12, 1951, that due to a heavy backlog of engineering work, we were forced, at the present time, to defer consideration for the laying-out, construction and acceptance of Shaw street as a public way.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF HAMILTON STREET, WARD 20.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of June 11, 1951, requesting to accept, lay-out, and construct Hamilton street, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
July 5, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated June 11, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay-out, and construct Hamilton street, Ward 20, as a public highway."

Because of a heavy backlog of engineering work, we are forced, at the present time, to defer consideration for the laying-out, construction, and acceptance of the above street as a public way.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PORTABLE DANCING FLOOR AT CASTLE ISLAND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of June 25, 1951, requesting the installation

of a portable dancing floor for the use of those persons who desire to dance during the Thursday night concerts at Castle Island.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, July 6, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, Council order requesting the installation of a portable dancing floor for the use of those persons who desire to dance during the Thursday night concerts at Castle Island.

I desire to inform you that we have no portable dancing floor in this department.

However, I have instructed the Deputy Commissioner to make an examination of the premises to see if it will be possible for this department to assist in this matter.

You may be assured we will give it our consideration.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

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TRANSFER OF CERTAIN PROPERTY ON HOLYOKE STREET TO PARK DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a proposed order for the transfer of approximately 1,589 square feet of tax title property on the northerly side of Holyoke street, Boston Proper, from the care, custody, control, and management of the Chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners, to the care, custody, control, and management of the Park Department, for the purposes of a "kiddies' play area" and recommend passage of the same.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Whereas, The City of Boston by a decree of the Land Court, Suffolk Registry District, dated October 23, 1939, foreclosed a right of redemption under a tax deed recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 5611, page 76, on about one thousand five hundred eighty-nine (1,589) square feet of land on the northerly side of Holyoke street, being numbered 39 in the numbering of said Holyoke street, Boston Proper; and

Whereas, By a vote of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners dated May 10, 1951, it was voted to transfer the above-described parcel of foreclosed tax title property to the Park Department for a "kiddies' play area"; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the aforesaid parcel of foreclosed tax title property be, and the same hereby is, transferred from the care, custody, control, and management of the Chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners, to the care, custody, control, and management of the Park Department, for the purposes of a "kiddies' play area."

Referred to the Executive Committee.

Coun. McCOLGAN in the Chair.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

Allied American Mutual Fire Insurance Company, for compensation for damage to car of Carl I. Parker, doing business as Pemberton Construction Company, by city car.

Harry H. Benn, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Daniel Fagan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Dover Street Bridge.

Frank J. Galvin, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Fire Department.

Charles H. Luciano, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Michael W. Maslanka, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Martin J. McDonough, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Paving Division.

Melnick Brothers, Inc., to be reimbursed for medals and prizes awarded winners at track meet on July 3, 1950.

Albert F. Ripley, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Summit Realty Trust, for compensation for damage to property at 123 Merrimac street and 26 Lancaster street, caused by defective construction work.

Tichnor Brothers, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 1249 Boylston street, during sidewalk installation.

Stanley F. Tomaszewski, for compensation for damage to property at 57 River street, caused by broken water pipe.

Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Samya, for compensation for damage to property at 19 Meshaka street, West Roxbury, caused by backing up of sewage.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Permit for children under 15 years of age to appear at public places of amusement, viz.:

Teachers' College, July 10, 1951.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

TRANSFER OF PORTION OF CLARENDON STREET TO METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION.

Coun. COOK called up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for transfer of portion of Clarendon street to Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan District Commission.

On June 25, 1951, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 17, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.

Nays—0.

REPAIR OF SIDEWALK NEAR 31 GEORGIA STREET.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair the sidewalk near 31 Georgia street, or replace the bricks with granolithic paving.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION RE PERMANENT SCHOOL PENSION FUND.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 468 of the Acts of 1951, entitled "An Act Codifying the Laws

Relating to the Permanent School Pension Fund in the City of Boston and Equalizing Pensions Thereunder," be, and hereby is, accepted.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC SIGNS AND MAKING SPAULDING STREET ONE WAY.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor instruct the Traffic Commission to install "Children, Go Slow" signs at the end of Spaulding street, Ward 16; and also to make Spaulding street a one-way street.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

IMMEDIATE COMPLETION OF GALTY AND MERCIER AVENUES AND REGAN ROAD.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to contact the Public Works Commissioner to look into the reason why the contractor is taking so long in completing Galty avenue, Mercier avenue, and Regan road, in Ward 17.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ICE CREAM TRUCKS ON PLAYGROUNDS.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to keep ice cream trucks off all playgrounds throughout the city for the protection of the children using said playgrounds.
Referred to the Committee on Parks and Playgrounds.

Coun. FARIN in the Chair.

LEGISLATION RE SALE OF CERTAIN PRINTED MATTER.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, go on record as strongly urging the Representatives and Senators of the General Court of Massachusetts to favor an act providing for an advisory board in the licensing of persons engaged in the business of selling or distributing certain printed matter, which should be heard in the Committee in the very near future, and which has a tendency to strongly curb the selling of indecent literature to minors and others. This bill was introduced by Representatives Lally and Beades of Dorchester.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ERECTION OF A LIBRARY, WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Board of Trustees of the Boston Public Library to immediately submit a report on the erection of a library in Ward 14.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

MAKING NORWELL STREET ONE WAY.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the advisability of making Norwell street, or a section thereof, a one-way thoroughfare. There has been an unusual amount of accidents in this immediate area and an immediate study is imperative.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS IN WARD 14.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to ask the Lighting Division to make a study for the immediate change of gas lamps to electric lights in the Ward 14 section of Boston.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

BUS SERVICE ON ANDREW SQUARE TO SAVIN HILL.

Coun. HANNON and McCOLGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Metropolitan Transit Authority to restore the service of the Andrew square to Savin Hill bus line to what it has been in the past, a recent order having been issued by the Metropolitan Transit Authority to put these buses on a half-hour schedule.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

DOCTOR ON DUTY IN ACCIDENT WARD, BOSTON CITY HOSPITAL.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital to have a doctor on duty at all times in the Accident Ward of the Boston City Hospital.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

READJUSTMENT OF PENSIONS TO RETIRED CITY WORKERS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor readjust the compensation of all retired workers of the City of Boston, and readjustment be made on their pensions to compensate with the cost of living on their present standard of living.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

EXAMINATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTIES SOLD BY REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONERS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Real Estate Commissioners be prohibited, by his Honor the Mayor, from selling houses that are boarded up and where the buyers are unable to examine the inside of the buildings; and be it further
Ordered, That any sale made by said Board in which they make false representations shall be declared void and the money returned to the buyer.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of the following streets in Ward 6:
West Third street, from F to Dorchester street.

East Third street, from Dorchester to Emerson street.

Emerson street, from Dorchester to I street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

DEATH OF CHARLES A. MERRILL.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, is deeply shocked to learn of the untimely death of Charles A. Merrill, who served on the staff of the Boston "Globe" for 40 years and as its city editor since 1937; and be it further

Resolved, That the Boston City Council extends its sincere sympathy and condolence to the members of his family and prays that God will give them the faith and strength to accept their tremendous loss with courage and fortitude.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Chase, the Council voted at 3.04 P.M. to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman Farin, at 3.10 P.M.

THE NEXT MEETING.

Coun. SHANLEY moved that when the Council adjourned, it would be to meet again on Monday, July 30, 1951, at 2 P.M. The motion was lost, yeas 8, nays 9:

Yeas—Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, McColgan, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, Yerxa—8.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Lanigan, McCormack, Wenzler—9.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. SULLIVAN, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

On the message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for transfer of certain land on Holyoke street from Board of Real Estate Commissioners to the Park Commissioners—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

Adjourned at 3.20 P.M., on motion of Councilor Hannon, to meet on Monday, July 16, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, July 16, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Beades, Lane, and P. A. Tracy.

The Rev. John J. Fogarty of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church of Charlestown, representing Rt. Rev. Msgr. Allchin, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. JOHN J. FOGARTY.

Let us call to mind the omnipresence of God. By an act of our will, let us place ourselves in the presence of God and pray:

Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love. Send forth Thy spirit and they shall be created, and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

O God, who didst instruct the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant us in the same spirit to be truly wise and ever to rejoice in His consolation.

O God, great and omnipotent Judge of the living, grant that every thought, word and action of ours may always begin from Thee and by Thee be happily ended. And we pray, O Almighty God, that the members of this Council may be thy instruments in accomplishing the common good, and that in all their work and negotiations, they may practice all Thy virtues. May they be not only hearers, but also doers of Thy word.

And as we ask for Thy blessing upon this Council, let us be unmindful of the critical days in which we find ourselves, and petition Thee for world peace, the safety of our boys in service, and that the leaders who are now convening may make their plans and agreements in accordance with God's Holy Peace.

May the spiritual motto of all of us be that we do all for Thy greater honor and glory, O God, for the good of our own souls, and as a good example to our fellow men.

May the will of God be exercised and accomplished by us and through us and in us now and always. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constables, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for the term ending April 30, 1952: Paula Mogul Ligums, 27 Abbot street, Dorchester; Samuel Kofman, 50 Bradshaw street, Dorchester.

Weigher of Coal and Weigher of Goods, for the term ending April 30, 1952: Mary McDonald, 5 Colchester street, Readville.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

REPAIRS TO TENNIS COURTS, GRAMPIAN WAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 16, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Park Commissioners relative to your order of July 2, 1951, requesting that proper repairs be made to the tennis courts on Grampian Way, Dorchester, Ward 13.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, July 9, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office, with attached enclosure, City Council order, requesting that proper repairs be made to the tennis courts on Grampian Way, Dorchester, Ward 13.

This is to inform you that under the program of this department the chief engineer is arranging for the repair or the installation of new tennis courts, if necessary, on Grampian Way, in the Savin Hill section of the Dorchester district.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PLANTING OF TREES ON CLANCY ROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 16, 1951.

To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman to the Board of Park Commissioners relative to your order of July 2, 1951, requesting to plant trees on Clancy road, in Dorchester.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, July 9, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office, with attached enclosure, City Council order, requesting the planting of trees on Clancy road, Dorchester.

Trees are planted only in the early spring and late fall before the trees go into blossom and after the leaves have fallen.

Our experience shows that at any other time the chance of the trees surviving is very limited.

I have referred this matter to the general foreman of the Tree Division and if possible we will consider this street for fall planting.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL IN JAMAICA PLAIN DISTRICT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 16, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Building Commissioner relative to your order of June 25, 1951, requesting that the proposed establishment of a tuberculosis hospital in the Jamaica Plain district of Boston be rejected.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Building Department, July 6, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

In answer to the City Council order of June 25, 1951, concerning the premises at 215 Forest

Hills street, permit me to say that a public hearing was held before the Health and Building Commissioners on the application for a hospital for chest diseases. The matter has been taken under advisement and an early decision is expected.

Very truly yours,
HARRY J. KEEFE,
Building Commissioner.

Placed on file.

ERECTION OF A LIBRARY, WARD 14.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 16, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Clerk of the Trustees of the Public Library relative to your order of July 9, 1951, requesting that a report be submitted, immediately, on the erection of a library in Ward 14.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Library Department, July 13, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

I wish to acknowledge your communication under date of July 12, 1951, enclosing an order of the City Council, dated July 9, 1951, requesting a report by the Board of Trustees to his Honor in the matter of the erection of a branch library in Ward 14.

Your communication and the enclosed order of the City Council will be brought to the attention of the trustees at their next meeting.

Yours very truly,
ELIZABETH B. BROCKUNIER,
Clerk of the Trustees.

Placed on file.

GLEASON STREET ONE WAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of July 2, 1951, requesting that a study be made of the advisability of making Gleason street a one-way thoroughfare.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Traffic Commission, July 12, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to the Council order of July 2, 1951, requesting that a study be made of the advisability of making Gleason street a one-way thoroughfare, we find that this is a short residential street with a normal 40-foot width and 26-foot roadway. It runs from Harvard street to Bradshaw street and forms a "T" intersection at each end.

The amount of traffic using this street is negligible and confined chiefly to local residents. Under ordinary conditions it would not seem that a one-way street was warranted here. However, if all of the residents wish it to be established as a one-way street there is no reason why the Traffic Commission would not be willing to establish such a regulation.

With respect to this proposal we should like to have the residents specify in which direction they wish the street to be made one way.

Sincerely yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

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REPAIR OF DRINKING FOUNTAIN ON EAST BROADWAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 16, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of July 2, 1951, requesting to repair the drinking fountain on East Broadway, near Dorchester street, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 12, 1951.

To Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of July 5, enclosing City Council order of July 2, 1951, requesting to repair the drinking fountain on East Broadway, near Dorchester street, Ward 6, please be advised the couplings which had been broken have been repaired and the fountain is now in service.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON BOLTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 16, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of July 2, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Bolton street, from C to D street, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 9, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of Bolton street, from C to D street, Ward 6, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for the installation of granolithic sidewalks during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

COMPLETION OF RECONSTRUCTION OF EDNA ROAD, WARD 16.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 16, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of July 2, 1951, requesting that the contractor reconstructing Edna road, Ward 16, Dorchester, immediately take steps to finish the construction of this road, or if he is not able, to cancel his contract.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department, July 9, 1951.
Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Attached hereto please find order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner immediately take steps to finish the construction of Edna road, Ward 16, Dorchester, or if he is not able, to cancel his contract, and this will advise you that the contractor who is constructing this street has been contacted and has promised that he will do everything within his power to finish the work very shortly. He explained that he has been unable to get cornerstones from the Fletcher quarry, but they have promised delivery some time during the present week.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE C. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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SURVEY OF WATER PRESSURE IN WELLINCTON HILL STREET AREA.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 16, 1951.
To the City Council.
Centlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of July 2, 1951, requesting that a survey be made by the division engineer of the Water Division for the purpose of applying water pressure in the Wellington Hill Street area.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 13, 1951.
Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of July 2:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to request the division engineer of the Water Division to make a survey for the purpose of applying water pressure in the Wellington Hill Street area."

With reference to the above, I submit hereunder self-explanatory report that was sent to me by Division Engineer Sullivan:

"I return herewith letter of July 5, from the Chief Clerk of the Mayor's Office, enclosing City Council order of July 2, 1951, requesting that a survey be made by the division engineer of the Water Division for the purpose of applying water pressure in the Wellington Hill Street area.

"A survey of the above area has been conducted periodically for the past four or five years.

"The water pressure in Wellington Hill street varies from 40 to 21 pounds at the top. The water mains are adequate in size for the nature of the district to provide adequate domestic service and fire protection for the neighborhood.

"With the advent of utensils used in the homes, such as air-cooled refrigeration, washing machines, dishwashing machines, garbage disposal machines, etc., all of which use water, the service pipes, ordinarily $\frac{5}{8}$ inch in diameter, leading into the residences, are not adequate in size to operate these devices. While an increase in pressure in the area cannot be made, the pressure can be maintained and a sufficient volume of water obtained if the householder will apply for a larger and adequate sized pipe to meet their demands.

"The Water Division has agreed to meet one particular householder one way by assuming one half the cost of increasing the size of service pipe to his home, providing the householder increases the size of the pipe within the premises. No reply has been received to our proposal."

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 16, 1951.
To the City Council.
Centlemen:

For several years, protests have been received at the Mayor's office concerning the vibration problem created by quarry operations in the Grove Street section of West Roxbury. A few weeks ago, a committee of your Honorable Body held a public hearing in connection with this problem. I have received from the Fire Commissioner, who was present at this hearing, a recommendation that professional engineering services be engaged by his department to survey and investigate the conditions under which blasting is carried on in the quarry and to submit recommendations concerning the alleviation of the problem. In the opinion of the Fire Commissioner, an appropriation of fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500) should be provided to permit a thorough survey and report on the situation. I accordingly submit herewith an order providing for the transfer from the Reserve Fund to the Fire Department of the amount suggested by the commissioner. I respectfully recommend approval of this order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance wtih the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, $1,500, to the appropriation for Fire Department, 2, Contractual Services, $1,500.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SALE OF PORTION OF CHARLES RIVER AVENUE, CHARLESTOWN, TO THE TUDOR COMPANY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 16, 1951.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from Cerald F. Scally, Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to a partial discontinuance and proposed sale of a portion of Charles River avenue, Charlestown district. The Board of Street Commissioners had discontinued approximately 2,925 square feet of Charles River avenue as a public highway and has recommended the sale of the same to the Tudor Company at a price of $2,193.75.

The sale of this land to the Tudor Company will enable the company to erect a new building upon its property. The proposed sale will satisfy the bare minimum requirements of the Tudor Company. Since Charles River avenue is not required for public purposes, it is hoped that when negotiations with various utility companies have been completed, the city will be in a position to discontinue Charles River avenue in its entirety.

I submit herewith an order whereby 2,925 square feet of land may be sold to the Tudor Company for the recommended price of $2,193.75, and recommend the speedy adoption of the order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
July 11, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Attached find order discontinuing a portion of the highway named Charles River avenue for a distance of approximately two hundred and twenty-seven feet southerly from a point approximately one hundred and forty feet southerly of Water street, containing two thousand, nine hundred and twenty-five (2,925) square feet, more or less.

In 1929, the Board of Street Commissioners discontinued another portion of Charles River avenue for a distance of approximately two hundred and fifty-seven feet northerly from the harbor line in the Charles River, containing twelve thousand, eight hundred thirty-seven (12,837) square feet, more or less. Under this order, approved by the Mayor on January 26, 1929, the discontinued portion was conveyed to the Tudor Company, a subsidiary of the Boston "Globe," for a price of $6,593.50, or approximately 50 cents per square foot.

This avenue, although recorded as a public way, for a number of years, has served no general useful purpose as such, and except for the delivery of paper stock to the property of the Boston "Globe," it is little used for vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

The particular portion of Charles River avenue proposed to be discontinued in the attached order is assessed for $1.50 per square foot, and in view of the fact that the Tudor Company intends to erect a new building in a portion of the location to be discontinued which, naturally, will bring new revenue in real estate taxes to the city, the Board recommends that the discontinued portion be conveyed to the Tudor Company, namely, two thousand, nine hundred and twenty-five (2,925) square feet, for two thousand, one hundred ninety-three dollars and seventy-five cents ($2,193.75) or seventy-five cents per square foot.

The Board of Street Commissioners understands that the Tudor Company is in agreement with this proposal and it is believed that the conveyance, as proposed, will be to the city's advantage. The discontinuance, as heretofore referred to, is a necessary preliminary to such sale and the attached order, which will accomplish that purpose, is respectfully submitted herewith for approval.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

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Whereas, The City of Boston by an order of the Board of Street Commissioners passed July 11, 1951, discontinued a part of the public highway named Charles River avenue in the City of Boston; and

Whereas, The City of Boston owns in fee a certain parcel of land containing approximately twenty-nine hundred and twenty-five (2,925) square feet of land within that area of Charles River avenue discontinued as a public highway under the aforesaid order of the Board of Street Commissioners; and

Whereas, The said area of land owned in fee by the City of Boston is no longer required for any public purpose; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized, in the name and behalf of the City of Boston, to sell at private sale and convey to Tudor Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with a principal place of business in Boston, for the sum of twenty-one hundred ninety-three and 75-100 (2,193.75) dollars, by an instrument in writing satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston, all the City of Boston's right, title and interest in and to a certain parcel of land bounded and described as follows:

Northerly by the southerly line of said Charles River avenue as hereby established, twelve feet; easterly by the easterly line of said Charles River avenue as it existed previously to this discontinuance, by two measurements, one hundred twenty-eight and 10-100 feet and ninety-nine and 45-100 feet; southerly by the southerly line of said Charles River avenue as it existed previously to this discontinuance, ten and 50-100 feet, and westerly by the easterly line of said Charles River avenue as hereby established, two hundred twenty-seven and 46-100 feet, containing twenty-nine hundred and twenty-five square feet, more or less.

The above-described parcel of land, together with the location and dimensions thereof, is shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Charles River Avenue, Charlestown, May 9, 1951, Walter R. Luby, Acting Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department."

Referred to the Executive Committee.

THE NEXT MEETING.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY moved that when the Council adjourned, it would be to meet again on Monday, August 6, 1951. Councilor Cook moved to amend the foregoing motion that when the Council adjourned it would be to meet again on Monday, July 30, 1951.

The amendment was carried, yeas 8, nays 5:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Cantwell, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Lanigan, F. P. Tracey, Yerxa, 8.

Nays—Councilors Chase, Hurley, McColgan, Shanley, Wenzler—5.

On motion of Councilor Coffey the foregoing vote was reconsidered. On further motion of Councilor Coffey it was voted that when the Council adjourned, it would be to meet again on Monday, July 23, 1951.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

David Ackerman, for compensation for injuries due to alleged defect at 126B Harvard street, Dorchester.

Louis J. Cristadoro, for compensation for damage to car by city truck spraying trees.

Charles Foley, for compensation for personal injuries due to alleged defect at Belgrade avenue and Ardent street.

Thomas F. Fraher, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Robert Hurley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

John F. H. Joyce, to be reimbursed as result of accident while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Mary Karam, for compensation for personal injuries due to alleged defect at 453 Shawmut avenue.

Maidie Palmer, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Giro R. Parrelli, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Public Works Department.

Sabatina A. Sferrazza, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Fire Department.

Stephen W. Smolinski, for reimbursement for damage to personal property while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

William R. Stahler, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Police Department.

Joseph A. Sullivan, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Public Works Department.

Max Spiegel, for refund on milk and ice cream licenses.

NOTICES FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing on July 19, 1951, Room 166, State House, Boston, at 10 A.M., on petition of Rapid Transit, Inc., for increase of fares and charges.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing on July 26, 1951, Room 166, State House, Boston, at 10 A.M., on petition of Dedham and Hyde Park Gas Company for approval of issue of stock.

Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on the appointment by the Mayor (referred July 9) of Harry Freedman as Constable, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond for the term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that the appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Lanigan and Shanley. Whole number of ballots 14, yeas 14, and the appointment was confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred June 25) on exchange of lands on Washington street, West Roxbury, with Metropolitan District Commission—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted. The order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Cantwell, Cbase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Sullivan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.

Nays—0.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred July 17, 1950) for transfer of land at 73 East Dedham street, from Park Department to Board of Real Estate Commissioners—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

RENAMING LANSDOWNE STREET THE FRED HOEY STREET.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Street Commissioner to rename Lansdowne street to Fred Hoey street, in memory of the late sports-broadcaster for the American and National League of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

OPPOSITION TO CHANGE OF NAME OF PARKER STREET TO PARTHENON STREET.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY, SULLIVAN, and P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council, in meeting assembled, go on record as opposed to the changing of the name of Parker street, Roxbury, to Parthenon street.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

SALARY INCREASE FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF SUFFOLK COUNTY JAIL.

Coun. RAMSEY and BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 298 of the Acts of 1951, entitled "An Act Providing a Salary Increase for Certain Employees of the Suffolk County Jail" be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRANSFER OF SCHOOLBOY STADIUM TO PARK DEPARTMENT.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request an immediate study be made jointly by the School Committee, Park Commissioner of the City of Boston, and the Trustees of the Robert White Fund for the purpose of conveying title of the Schoolboy Stadium from the control of the School Committee to the Park Department of the City of Boston.

Objection being made to the immediate passage of the order the Chair referred the order to the Committee on Parks and Playgrounds.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF ERVIN M. DANIELOWSKI.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Howard avenue and Harlow street, Dorchester, in honor of Ervin M. Danielowski, who died in action.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

EAST COTTAGE STREET ONE WAY.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That bis Honor the Mayor direct the Traffic Commissioner to consider the advisability of making East Cottage street in Ward 13, one way, from Pleasant street to Dorchester avenue.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PEDESTRIAN LIGHTS ON DORCHESTER AVENUE, AT CRESCENT AVENUE.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Traffic Commissioner to consider tbe advisability of installing pedestrian lights on Dorchester avenue, at Crescent avenue.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

FIELD HOUSE, SAVIN HILL PLAYGROUND.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That tbe Park Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to keep open the field house on the Savin Hill

Playground seven days a week, during the summer months, so that the children using the Savin Hill beach may avail themselves of this facility.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SUITABLE VOTING PLACE IN PRECINCT 2, WARD 15.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Election Department remove the voting booth at Rill street, Ward 15, and a suitable place for the coming election be made available for the voters of Precinct 2 of Ward 15.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

STUDY OF TRAFFIC CONDITIONS ON QUINCY STREET, NEAR BLUE HILL AVENUE.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the dangerous condition of traffic on Quincy street, Ward 12, near Blue Hill avenue, with a view towards making said street one way or taking such steps as will prevent the danger now existing.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ELECTRIC ARC LIGHTS ON EAST EIGHTH STREET.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Public Works Commissioner to install new electric arc lights on East Eighth street, South Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

DRINKING FOUNTAINS ALONG THE STRANDWAY AND PLAYGROUND AREAS IN SOUTH BOSTON.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Metropolitan District Commission and the Park Department to install new drinking fountains along the strandway and playground areas in South Boston; and be it further

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Park Department to take action to remove the concession, and this unsightly stand from Columbus Park, South Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SUPERVISION BY HEALTH COMMISSIONER OF EVACUATION AT CALF PASTURE HOUSING PROJECT SITE.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Health Commissioner to supervise the excavation of the foundations at the new Calf Pasture Housing Project site; and be it further

Ordered, That he also supervise the dumping at Calf Pasture; complaints having been received that refuse from this site has been drifting onto the beaches at South Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CLEANING OF SEWERS ON EAST THIRD AND K STREETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange for the immediate cleaning of the sewers at the corner of East Third and K streets, South Boston, which are giving off an offensive odor and are a menace to the health of the residents of that area.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON WEST FIFTH STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of West Fifth street, from D to F street, South Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

POLITICAL WORKERS AT POLLING PLACES.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Election Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to instruct the Police Commissioner to keep all political workers at least 300 feet from the polling places on Primary and Election Days.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF LIEUT. EDWIN F. MAHONEY.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Hampden and Eustis streets, Roxbury, in honor of Lieut. Edwin F. Mahoney, who was killed in action in the Korean campaign.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PROPERTY ADJACENT TO JAMES J. STORROW SCHOOL, WARD 22.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Superintendent of Construction, Department of School Buildings, to clean up and macadam the surface of the school-owned property adjacent to the James J. Storrow School, Ward 22, said property located at Lothrop street, because of the unsightly and unhealthy condition existing there at the present time.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Cantwell, the Council voted to take a recess at 2.55 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 3.10 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred June 11) to build over sewerage works on land on Rena street, Brighton—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for transfer of appropriation of $1,500 from Reserve Fund to Fire Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 14, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—14.

Nays—0.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for sale of land on Charles River avenue—recommending reference of the order to Committee on Public Lands.

The report was accepted and the order was referred to Committee on Public Lands.

IMPROVEMENTS TO PARK AT WORCESTER SQUARE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair or replace the benches in the park at Worcester square, in Boston, and to make such other improvements as are necessary to beautifying this park. The condition of the benches at present is very poor. This park is not only used by residents of the district, but also by visitors at the Boston City Hospital who find this park a great convenience during their visiting periods.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 3.14 P.M., on motion of Councilor Lanigan, to meet on Monday, July 23, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, July 23, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Sullivan and P. A. Tracy.

The Rev. Mario Tardivo of Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church, North End, Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. MARIO TARDIVO.

O God, give all here Thy blessings. Extend Thy right hand upon the members of this Council. Send, O God of hope, to their midst, Thy Holy Ghost to inspire them with wisdom as they make resolutions, and guide Thee this Council as they make new laws. Give them courage and strength to defend Thy laws against all enemies. Make these servants of God conscientious councilors and righteous leaders of our dear city for the protection and welfare of its citizens and for the strength and freedom of our nation and for the peace of the world, and above all, for Thine own glory of God. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

INVITATION OF THE MAYOR TO THE COUNCIL TO MEET GENERAL MACARTHUR.

President HURLEY read a communication from his Honor the Mayor extending an invitation to the members of the City Council to be present on Thursday, July 26, 1951, in his office at 10 A.M., to meet with General Douglas MacArthur.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constables, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for the term ending April 30, 1952: Carmine Joseph Lauria, 31 Appleton street, Boston; Bartholomew A. Trant, 27 M street, South Boston; Harry Freedman, 180 Seaver street, Roxbury.

Constable not authorized to serve civil process, and to serve without bond, for the term ending April 30, 1952: Donald L. McColgan, 1740 Columbia road, Ward 7, vice Daniel J. Carney, resigned.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

CLEANING AND REPAIRS TO CITY POINT AREA.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 23, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan District Commissioner relative to your order of June 25, 1951, requesting that the beaches be cleaned and the benches repaired in the City Point area, which are in a deplorable condition.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Metropolitan District Commission,
July 19, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of City Council orders requesting that the beaches be cleaned and benches repaired in the City Point area which, it is stated, are in a deplorable condition.

As to the criticism of our gravel walks, it should be borne in mind that all our landscape work is laid out by experts and must coincide with the esthetic beauty of the surroundings, so that under no condition should asphalt walks be put in.

As for the benches, they are now being repaired and put in good condition.

My captain reports that the beaches and bathhouses are in good condition and states that he has received no complaints. I would suggest therefore that if the councilor has any more complaints, he take them up with the police of the Old Colony Division, who are in complete control of the situation.

I am forwarding a copy of a report received from the Old Colony Division, which I felt would be of interest to your Council.

Very truly yours,
WILLIAM T. MORRISSEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

DRINKING FOUNTAINS ALONG THE STRANDWAY AND PLAYGROUND AREAS IN SOUTH BOSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 23, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Metropolitan District Commissioner relative to your order of July 16, 1951, directing that new drinking fountains be installed along the Strandway and playground areas in South Boston; and that action be taken on the request to remove the concession stand from Columbus Park, South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Metropolitan District Commission,
July 19, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Replying to City Council order of July 16, 1951, I have directed my police captain of the Old Colony Division to report back to me where, in his opinion, drinking fountains should be installed.

The balance of the order I am referring to the Boston Park Department, which has jurisdiction over Columbus Park, South Boston.

Very truly yours,
WILLIAM T. MORRISSEY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PROPERTY ADJACENT TO JAMES J. STORROW SCHOOL, WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 23, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Superintendent of Construction of the Department of School Buildings relative to your order of July 16, 1951, requesting the cleaning up and macadam surfacing of the school-owned property adjacent to the James J. Storrow School, Ward 22. Said property is located on Lothrop street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Department of School Buildings,
July 19, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

Complying with your request for consideration and report on the subject matter of your form notice dated July 18, 1951, namely, City Council order of July 16, 1951, requesting the Department of School Buildings to clean up and macadam the surface of the school-owned property adjacent to the James J. Storrow School, Ward 22, which property is located on Lothrop street, please be informed that prior to the receipt of your letter

and the City Council order an order was issued by this department to clean up the property described.

There are no funds available in the 1951 budget of this department to macadam the surface, but this work will be placed on the list of items for consideration when the 1952 budget is being prepared.

Very truly yours,
JAMES H. MOONEY,
Superintendent of Construction.

Placed on file.

RENAMING LANSDOWNE STREET FRED HOEY STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 23, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary to the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of July 16, 1951, requesting the renaming of Lansdowne street Fred Hoey street, in memory of the late sports broadcaster for the American and National leagues of Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
July 19, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Board receipt of your communication of July 18, enclosing copy of order introduced in the City Council by Councilor Shanley, requesting the change of name of Lansdowne street, Boston Proper district, to Fred Hoey street.

Advertised public hearings on the change of names of existing public ways, such as Lansdowne street, will be held in February, 1952, at which time the Councilor's request will be given every consideration. As the change of a name of a public street cannot become effective, under the Statutes, until March 1st of a given year, it would be impractical to hold an advertised public hearing at this time.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF INTERSECTIONS IN HONOR OF DECEASED VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 23, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith six orders for the naming of various intersections in the city in honor of veterans of World War II and the Korean action.

As the requests for the naming of these squares were made by the members of your Honorable Body, and the Committee to Memorialize Veterans after due consideration has recommended the naming of the various sites in honor of these veterans, I recommend that your Honorable Body give approval to the accompanying orders.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
July 20, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

At a meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans held this day, it was voted to designate the following intersections in honor of the following-named veterans:

William A. Shiveree Square.—Porter and London streets, East Boston district (Pfc. Shiveree, 1st Engineers Battalion, Company B, 1st Marine Division, killed in action at Inchon, Korea, September 15, 1950).

Joseph F. Eartbawey Square.—Rexhame street and Belgrade avenue, West Roxbury district (Pfc. Eartbawey, U. S. A., 14th Engineering Combat Division, killed in action in Korea, August 12, 1950).

Charles D. Litchfield Square.—Folsom and Dudley streets, Dorchester district (Pfc. Litchfield, U. S. A., Cannon Company, 157th Infantry, killed in action in Germany, March 17, 1945).

Anthony Amendolia Square.—Thorndike street and Harrison avenue, Boston Proper district (Pfc. Amendolia, U.S.A., 559th Regiment, Company M., 113th Battalion, killed in action in France, November 6, 1944).

Ervin M. Danielowski Square.—Howard avenue and Harlow street, Dorchester district (Shipfitter 2/c, U.S.N., U.S.S. "Buck," killed aboard ship, October 9, 1943).

Edwin F. Mahoney Square.—Hampden and Eustis streets, Roxbury district (Lieut. Mahoney, U.S.A., killed in action in Korea, April 16, 1951).

Notice of the above vote has been forwarded to the City Council for appropriate action.

Respectfully submitted,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Hampden and Eustis streets, Ward 8, be named Edwin F. Mahoney Square, in honor of Edwin F. Mahoney, killed in action in Korea.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Howard avenue and Harlow street, Ward 13, be named Ervin M. Danielowski Square, in honor of Ervin M. Danielowski, late veteran of World War II.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Thorndike street and Harrison avenue, Ward 8, be named Anthony Amendolia Square, in honor of Anthony Amendolia, late veteran of World War II.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Folsom and Dudley streets, Ward 13, be named Charles D. Litchfield Square, in honor of Charles D. Litchfield, late veteran of World War II.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Rexhame street and Belgrade avenue, Ward 20, be named Joseph F. Eartbawey Square, in honor of Joseph F. Eartbawey, killed in action in Korea.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Porter and London streets, Ward 1, be named William A. Shiveree Square, in honor of William A. Shiveree, killed in action in Korea.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

IMPROVEMENTS TO PARK AT WORCESTER SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 23, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of July 16, 1951, directing the repair or replacement of the benches in the park at Worcester square in Boston, and the making of such other improvements as are necessary to beautify the park.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

—

City of Boston,
Park Department, July 20, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clark, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting that the Park Department repair or replace the benches in the park at Worcester square in Boston, and make such other improvements as are necessary to beautify the park.

This matter has been referred to the deputy commissioner for proper action.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

FIELD HOUSE, SAVIN HILL PLAYGROUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 23, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of July 16, 1951, requesting that the field house on the Savin Hill Playground be kept open seven days a week during the summer months so that the children using Savin Hill Beach may avail themselves of this facility.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, July 20, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting that the field house on the Savin Hill Playground be kept open seven days a week during the summer months so that the children using Savin Hill Beach may avail themselves of this facility.

I have referred this matter to the deputy commissioner asking for the possibility of complying with this request.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REPAIR TO GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALK, 518 EAST BROADWAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 23, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of July 2, 1951, requesting the repair of the granolithic sidewalk in front of 518 East Broadway, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 16, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works repair the granolithic sidewalk in front of 518 East Broadway, Ward 6, and this will advise you that the necessary repairs at this location were made by the local paving service district forces under date of July 12, 1951.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 23, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of July 9, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on both sides of the following streets in Ward 6:

West Third street, from F street to Dorchester street.

East Third street, from Dorchester street to Emerson street.

Emerson street, from Dorchester street to I street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 16, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of the following streets in Ward 6. Please be advised as follows:

West Third street, Ward 6, from F street to Dorchester street, will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for the installation of artificial stone sidewalks during the current year.

East Third street, Ward 6, from Dorchester street to Emerson street—the contract for sidewalks has been awarded and work should start in the near future.

Emerson street, Ward 6, from Dorchester street to I street, is already on the list of streets to be given consideration for the installation of artificial stone sidewalks during the present year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

NORWELL STREET ONE WAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 23, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of July 9, 1951, requesting the study of the advisability of making Norwell street, or a section thereof, a one-way thoroughfare.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
July 16, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order dated July 9, I have replied to Councilor Ansel concerning a similar request as of July 12, quoting the following report of our engineers:

"Norwell street is a long cross-town thoroughfare in Dorchester, running from 219 Washington street to 220 Talbot avenue. It is a 40-foot street with a 26-foot roadway and is about four fifths of a mile long. For its entire length it parallels the Midland Division of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R. Because of this, there is but one cross-intersection—the junction of Harvard and Norwell streets. All the rest are "T" intersections, except two where the cross-streets dead-end at the railroad. The street is partly residential and partly commercial. Several large businesses, a coal company, lumber yard, and ice plant flank a long portion of the north side of the way between Washington and Harvard streets.

"Considerable traffic, including many trucks, uses the street, most of it in the direction from Washington street to Talbot avenue. The petitioners are residents of the east end of the street, between Carmen and Washington streets. Both sides of this end are occupied by three-story brick apartment blocks—apparently low-rent housing. The request appears to be that the portion of Norwell street next to Washington street be made one way.

"Unfortunately, there is no parallel street to accommodate the traffic which would be diverted if the street or a portion of it were made one way. The diversion in any direction would direct traffic by a roundabout route through streets which are entirely residential, and where the number of children is much greater than in Norwell street."

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY,
Commissioner.

Placed on file.

SALE OF RECEIVING STATION, WARD STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 23, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The City of Boston is owner of a piece of land on Ward street, Roxbury, which has been taken by the Boston Housing Authority for a housing project.

As explained in the accompanying communication from the Commissioner of Public Works, the city owns a receiving station on this land which must be dismantled and moved. Proposals were received by the Commissioner of Public Works, and it is his recommendation that the proposal of the Heggie Corporation, which has agreed to pay the city $1,155 for the complete disposal of the structure, be accepted.

I therefore furnish herewith an order for the dismantling and sale of this receiving station to the Heggie Corporation for the sum of $1,155, and I respectfully request approval of the order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 20, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

Because of the construction of a housing project by the Boston Housing Authority in a section of Roxbury which includes Ward street, it becomes necessary for this department to vacate the city-owned property under its jurisdiction, known as the Ward Street Receiving Station, which is located within the lines of the project.

The Boston Housing Authority has made the required legal takings in the area involved and it is my understanding that actual construction will start within the next three weeks. Anticipating this, we solicited proposals from six firms for dismantling this receiving station.

Alternate proposals were requested. Only two proposals were received at this office today which are as follows:

Alternate A(1). Amount to be paid by the city for doing the work and delivering to the department certain specified portions of the structure: Heggie Corporation, $4,296; Daniel Marr & Son Company, $8,977.

Alternate B(1). Amount to be paid by the city for doing the work and for complete disposal of all portions of the structure by the contractor: Daniel Marr & Son Company, $7,565.

Alternate B(2). Amount to be paid to the city for doing the work and for complete disposal of all portions of the structure by the contractor: Heggie Corporation, $1,155.

I consider that the offer of the Heggie Corporation under Alternate B(2) is the most advisable one, and I respectfully recommend its acceptance. However, the sale of city property is involved and the authority of the City Council will be required in order to dispose of the materials to be removed in dismantling this structure.

I submit an order which I recommend that your Honor present to the City Council covering the sale of the materials.

Respectfully yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be, and hereby is, authorized to sell to the Heggie Corporation for the sum of $1,155, all portions of the Ward Street receiving station, Roxbury, dismantled in accordance with its proposal of July 20, 1951.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Apex Auto Body Company, for compensation for damage to property at 1339 Blue Hill avenue, caused by truck of Park Department.

Robert F. Barry, to be reimbursed for accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Mrs. Paul W. Braun, for compensation for damage to property at 23 Van Winkle street, Dorchester, caused by roots of tree growing on sidewalk.

John J. Carey, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Rev. Francis A. Doherty, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 4 Mt. Vernon avenue, Charlestown, caused by water being shut off.

Katherine I. Fitzpatrick, for compensation for damage to property at 27 Ely road, Dorchester, caused by broken water pipe.

J. A. Gattozzi, for compensation for damage to property at 239 West street, Hyde Park, caused by change of grade of street.

General Heat and Appliance Company, for compensation for damage to property at 1265 Boylston street, caused during widening of Boylston street.

Margaret A. Gould, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Arlington and Fayette streets.

Harry J. Grace, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Welfare Department.

Joy Yong Restaurant, for compensation for damage to property at 19–23 Harrison avenue, caused by changing of water meter.

Francis W. Moran, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Sumner street, East Boston.

Esther Myerberg, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 380 Commercial street.

Selden Radio Company, for compensation for damage to property at 198 Washington street, caused by broken water main.

Henry Snyder, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Franklin Field.

Executive.

Petition of Margaret M. Martin, to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, John J. Martin, late member of Fire Department.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Harry Freedman, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved by the Council.

NOTICES FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Communication was received from the State Department of Public Works transmitting copy of layout and order of taking of portion of Boston Central Artery as state highway.

Communication was received from the State Department of Public Works transmitting copy of layout of alteration of portion of section of state highway as Boston Central Artery.

Severally placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF KEEPER OF LOCKUP.

Notice was received from the Police Commissioner of the appointment of Lieut. Chester A. Henchey of the Police Department to be Keeper of the Lockup for a period of one year, from July 17, 1951.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

1. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred July 16) of Paula Mogul Ligums and Samuel Kofman as Constables, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for the term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

2. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred July 16) of Mary McDonald as Weigher of Coal and Weigher of Goods, for the term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Shanley and Coffey. Whole number of ballots 15, yeas 15, and the appointments were confirmed.

RECLASSIFICATION SYSTEM FOR CITY EMPLOYEES.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, go on record in favor of having his Honor the Mayor deny the new reclassification system because it discriminates against the employees of the City of Boston.

On motion of Councilor Cook to refer the resolution to the Executive Committee, the motion was lost.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

TIME OF APPEAL ON EMPLOYEES' RECLASSIFICATION PLAN.

Coun. BEADES and F. P. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor, be requested to issue instructions to the proper parties to extend the time of the appeal on the new reclassification program from July 24 until August 1. Such extension is necessary because of the short notice the employees of the City of Boston have received on the new classification.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. McCOLGAN, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition of Richard S. Judge (referred July 2) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account on his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of nine hundred thirty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents ($938.75) be allowed and paid to Richard S. Judge in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

2. Report on petition of Frank J. Galvin (referred July 9) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Fire Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of four hundred thirty dollars ($430) be allowed and paid to Frank J. Galvin in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

3. Report on petition of Martin McDonnell (referred June 25) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of three hundred thirty-one dollars and ninety-five cents ($331.95) be allowed and paid to Martin McDonnell in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

4. Report on petition of Robert E. FitzGerald (referred July 2) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of five hundred forty-two dollars and sixty-seven cents ($542.67) be allowed and paid to Robert E. FitzGerald in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

5. Report on petition of Frank J. Toner (referred June 25) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Highway Division, Public Works Department, — recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of three hundred seventy-one dollars and thirty-five cents ($371.35) be allowed and paid to Frank J. Toner in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Highway Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

6. Report on petition of James F. Collins (referred July 2) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department — recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of four hundred dollars ($400) be allowed and paid to James F. Collins in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

7. Report on petition of Kenneth D. Stuart (referred May 28) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Boston City Hospital — recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) be allowed and paid to Kenneth D. Stuart in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Boston City Hospital, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO STANLEY WOLLASTON.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That Stanley Wollaston, permanent stenographer-clerk attaché of the City Council, be granted a leave of absence from his duties as stenographer-clerk for a period of six months, from July 1, 1951, to January 1, 1952.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RENAMING MALDEN STREET REV. NEIL A. CRONIN MEMORIAL WAY.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct the Board of Street Commissioners to rename Malden street, Ward 8, Rev. Neil A. Cronin Memorial Way.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ADDITIONAL PARK BENCHES AT BLAKE HOUSE.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request that the Park Department put additional benches in the park area at Blake House, Ward 7.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RENTS IN HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. McColgan offered the following:
Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to look into the advisability of reducing rents in housing projects, where the rents are based on income and when it is ascertained that a tenant's income has been lowered at any time during the course of the lease year.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

"SLOW" SIGNS AT G STREET AND SHORE DRIVE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Metropolitan District Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install "Slow" signs at the intersection of G street and Shore Drive, South Boston.
Referred to Committee on Public Works.

PUSH-BUTTON TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT D AND WEST SEVENTH STREETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to equip the new traffic lights at the corner of D and West Seventh streets, South Boston, with push buttons, and also to place them in operation at the earliest possible opportunity.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

CLEANING OF SEWERS AT K AND EAST SECOND STREETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange for the immediate cleaning of the sewers at the corner of K and East Second streets, South Boston.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALK AT 596 EAST THIRD STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a granolithic sidewalk in front of 596 East Third street, South Boston, to replace the present one which is badly in need of repair.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ERECTION OF HEALTH UNITS IN SOUTH BOSTON AND CHARLESTOWN.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Trustees of the George Robert White Fund be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to provide for the erection of health units in South Boston and Charlestown to take care of Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children, and Public Welfare recipients.
Referred to Committee on Public Welfare.

REMOVAL OF COBBLESTONES ON K STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the cobblestones on K street and replace same with a smooth surface.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPAIR OF DRINKING FOUNTAINS NEAR AQUARIUM.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange for the immediate repair of both drinking fountains near the Aquarium in South Boston.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

SALARY INCREASE FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF SUFFOLK COUNTY JAIL.

Couns. RAMSEY and BRYAN offered the following:
Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be, and hereby is, requested to return to the City Council disapproved the order passed by the City Council on July 16, 1951, accepting chapter 298 of the Acts of 1951, entitled "An Act Providing a Salary Increase for Certain Employees of the Suffolk County Jail.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

RECLASSIFICATION PLAN FOR CITY EMPLOYEES.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor, the Mayor, hold up the present reclassification plan of city employees being conducted by the J. L. Jacobs Company, thereby giving the Councilors the chance to determine whether or not discrimination, influence, and favoritism is being played.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

POISONED TREES IN DORCHESTER PARK AND WILLIAM G. WALSH PLAYGROUND.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove all poison sumac and poison oak in Dorchester Park and also in the William G. Walsh Playground in Ward 17.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

STREET CONSTRUCTION REGAN ROAD, AND GALTY AND MERCIER AVENUES.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner demand, through his Honor the Mayor, that the contractor who put in Galty avenue, Regan road, and Mercier avenue repair the damages incurred to the various property owners, when he installed said streets and sidewalks.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

LAND FOR PLAYGROUND IN BRIGHTON.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Foreclosed Real Estate and the Law Department be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to transfer the city-owned land bounding on the rear of Seattle street, Cambridge street, North Harvard street, and Hopedale street for the purpose of making a play area for the protection and enjoyment of the great number of small children in this district.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC LIGHT AND SIGNS AT FANEUIL AND MARKET STREETS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey to determine the advisability of the installation of a pedestrain traffic light at the corner

of Faneuil and Market streets, Ward 22, and also "Slow" signs and crosswalks being placed at Faneuil street adjacent to the Faneuil housing project and McKinney Playground.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Shanley, the Council voted to take a recess at 3.30 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President HURLEY at 3.50 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following

1. Report on message of Mayor and six orders (referred today) naming intersections in honor of deceased veterans — that same ought to pass.

Report accepted, and said orders severally passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred March 5,) for transfer of land on East Dedham street to Real Estate Commissioner recommending that no further action is necessary.

Report accepted.

3. Report on order (referred today) to postpone operation of reclassification plan for city employees — that same ought to pass.

Report accepted, and said order passed.

4. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for sale of receiving station on Ward Street to Heggie Corporation — recommending reference of the order to the Committee on Public Lands.

Report accepted, and said reference ordered.

HOLIDAY TO CITY EMPLOYEES ON GENERAL MacARTHUR DAY, WEDNESDAY, JULY 25.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to grant a holiday to all city employees on General MacArthur Day, Wednesday, July 25th, and to maintain a skeleton force wherever necessary.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 3.49 P.M., on motion of Councilor McColgan, to meet on Monday, July 30, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, July 30, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor P. A. Tracy.

The Reverend Daniel A. O'Leary, of the Gate of Heaven Roman Catholic Church, South Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. DANIEL A. O'LEARY.

Let us pray. O God of Wisdom, Understanding, and Counsel, through Whom laws are enacted, judgments decreed, and authority administered, assist these men of the Council Chamber so that their administration may be conducted in righteousness and be eminently beneficial to the people over whom they preside. Grant that they may encourage due respect for virtue and religion by a faithful execution of the laws in justice and honesty. Let the light of Thy Divine Wisdom direct their deliberations and judgments and shine forth in all their proceedings so that they may tend to the preservation of peace and harmony, and the promotion of our national happiness, and thus perpetuate to us all the blessings of equal liberty. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the appointment of John A. McGillivary, 24 Upcrest road, Brighton, as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for the term ending April 30, 1952.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

VETO OF ORDER FOR SALARY INCREASE FOR CERTAIN JAIL EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 24, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Conformably with a resolution passed by your Honorable Body yesterday, I am returning herewith, disapproved, the order passed by your Honorable Body on July 16, 1951, accepting chapter 298 of the Acts of 1951, entitled "An Act Providing a Salary Increase for Certain Employees of the Suffolk County Jail."

My objections thereto are that the acceptance of the statute in question would, in effect, be a vain act, because its basic purpose has been essentially thwarted by events transpiring since its passage.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Placed on file.

RENAMING MALDEN STREET REV. NEIL A. CRONIN MEMORIAL WAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the secretary of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of July 23, 1951, requesting me to instruct the Board of Street Commissioners to rename Malden street, in Ward 8, Rev. Neil A. Cronin Memorial Way.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
July 25, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Board receipt of your communication of July 25, enclosing copy of order introduced in the City Council by Councilor Hurley, requesting the change of name of Malden street to Rev. Neil A. Cronin Memorial Way.

Advertised public hearings on the change of names of existing public ways, such as Malden street, will be held in February, 1952, at which time the councilor's request will be given every consideration. As the change of a name of a public street cannot become effective, under the statutes, until March 1 of a given year, it would be impractical to hold an advertised public hearing at this time.

Very truly yours,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

BUS SERVICE, ANDREW SQUARE TO SAVIN HILL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the general manager of the Metropolitan Transit Authority relative to your order of July 9, 1951, requesting that the service be restored on the Andrew Square Savin Hill bus line to what it has been in the past.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
July 23, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

In reply to order of the City Council of July 9, forwarded with your communication of the twelfth, relating to service on the Andrew Square-Savin Hill bus line, the trustees have directed that mileage be adjusted to the passenger traffic so that only that number of miles which is felt justified may be operated, in the effort to keep the deficit as low as possible.

Figures concerning this particular line indicate that more than adequate capacity is offered for the riding available.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD DANA,
General Manager

Placed on file.

DOCTOR ON DUTY IN ACCIDENT WARD, BOSTON CITY HOSPITAL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the president of the Board of Trustees at the Boston City Hospital relative to your order of July 9, 1951, requesting that a doctor be on duty at all times in the accident ward of the Boston City Hospital.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston City Hospital,
July 25, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

Your communication to the trustees concerning the communication to you by the City Council with regard to having doctors on duty on the Accident Floor was turned over to me for reply to you.

Dr. Manary, superintendent, Dr. John P. Rattigan, coordinator of interns at the hospital, and myself are reorganizing that section of the hospital. In a short time I feel we shall be able to improve

the conditions on the Accident Floor, which, as you know, is very busy.

We have a plan nearly completely worked out, which will be forwarded to you, and put into execution in the near future by the administration of the hospital.

Sincerely yours,
MARTIN J. ENGLISH, M.D.,
President, Board of Trustees.

Placed on file.

CURBING ON SIDEWALKS, BEACH STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of June 25, 1951, requesting the installation of curbing on the sidewalks on Beach street, Ward 16.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 24, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner install curbing on the sidewalks on Beach street, Ward 16, and this will advise you that a lien order for same has been prepared and forwarded to the City Clerk, City Hall, Boston.

Very truly yours,
D. M. SULLIVAN,
Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON WEST FIFTH STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of July 16, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on both sides of West Fifth street, from D street to F street, South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 23, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of West Fifth street, from D street to F street, South Boston, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for the installation of granolithic sidewalks during the current year.

Very truly yours,
D. M. SULLIVAN,
Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

PEDESTRIAN LIGHTS ON DORCHESTER AVENUE AT CRESCENT AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of July 16, 1951, requesting that the advisability be considered of installing lights on Dorchester avenue at Crescent avenue.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 23, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston,
Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of July 16, 1951, requesting that the advisability be considered of installing pedestrian lights on Dorchester avenue at Crescent avenue, our engineers report that at the present time traffic lights are located at Columbia road and Dorchester avenue and at Dorchester avenue and Savin Hill avenue.

These two lights are substantially in the same area as Crescent avenue and Dorchester avenue.

There is some problem as to whether lights at Crescent avenue and Dorchester avenue would be efficient because of their proximity to the lights at Columbia road. However, further study will be given to this matter, as we realize the problem involved.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

STUDY OF TRAFFIC CONDITIONS ON QUINCY STREET, NEAR BLUE HILL AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of July 16, 1951, requesting that a study be made of the dangerous condition of traffic on Quincy street, Ward 12, near Blue Hill avenue, with a view toward making said street one way or taking such steps as will prevent the danger now existing.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
July 26, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order of July 16, 1951, requesting that a study be made of the dangerous condition of traffic on Quincy street, near Blue Hill avenue, with a view toward making said street one way or taking such steps as will prevent the danger now existing, I wish to report that our engineers conferred with the police sergeant in Station 9 (the captain being on vacation) and gave consideration to the problem outlined in the Council order.

The intersection of Blue Hill avenue and Quincy street is signalized, and parking is prohibited at any time in the south side of Quincy street, from Bowdoin street to Warren street, so that, if these regulations are observed, two-way traffic should be able to move on Quincy street.

We recently made a study of this area with a view to making several of the streets one way in this district, but because of the through traffic over Blue Hill avenue to Washington street, which depends upon Quincy street for passage, it does not seem at this time desirable to make it one way, as there is no suitable alternate route to handle the traffic which would be affected.

For years a heavy flow of traffic has been developing in the morning through Quincy street to Townsend, to Washington, then to Marcella, to Columbus avenue or Centre street. In the evening this flow of traffic is reversed, and it has become a cross-town movement of considerable proportions. There is no question but that the streets named are not wide enough for the amount of traffic which is developing, and one of the projects which the city has had in its files for years has been the establishment of a wide cross-town artery over this route.

For the present, however, there is nothing which appears to the Traffic Commission as suitable to provide a substantial relief from the congested conditions which are present on both Quincy and Townsend streets. The roadway width is such that it is necessary that the residents observe the parking prohibitions on these streets until such time as a substantial roadway can be established.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT D AND WEST SEVENTH STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen.

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of July 23, 1951, requesting the equipment of the new traffic lights at the corner of D and West Seventh streets, South Boston, with push buttons and also placing them in operation at the earliest possible opportunity.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 26, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of July 23, 1951, requesting the equipment of the new traffic lights at the corner of D and West Seventh streets, South Boston, with push buttons and also placing them in operation at the earliest possible opportunity, I wish to report that the lights at this intersection were placed in operation on Monday, July 23, 1951. and that notice of this date was submitted to Councilor Wenzler with an invitation to be present on the occasion.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached request that the sum of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) be transferred from available sources to the budget of the Hospital Department to permit the installation of screens throughout the hospital. I feel that such an installation is not only desirable, but absolutely necessary in order to safeguard the treatment and care of patients at the hospital. I therefore submit an order providing for the transfer of the requested amount from the Reserve Fund and respectfully recommend adoption of this order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, $50,000, to the appropriation for Hospital Department, 26–11, Installations, Alterations and Repairs, $50,000.

The rules were suspended, and the order was passed, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—0.

EASEMENT IN LAND TO NORTHEASTERN GAS TRANSMISSION COMPANY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 30, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The Northeastern Gas Transmission Company, with offices at 31 Hillman street, Springfield, Mass., is presently undertaking to bring natural gas to the northern metropolitan Boston area. To do so, it is essential that it acquire certain pipe-line easements. In conformity with the statutes, the company has sought and obtained the approval of the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities to the location of the pipe line. Included in the location so approved are two parcels of land, one partly in the town of Burlington and partly in the city of Woburn, and the other wholly in the City of Woburn, owned by the City of Boston, as it is trustee of the public charitable trust created by the first paragraph of Item Fourth in the will of Mary P. C. Cummings, late of Woburn, Middlesex County, Mass.

After extensive negotiations, the Northeastern Gas Transmission Company has finally offered the City of Boston twelve hundred dollars ($1,200) for a pipe line easement in the two parcels of land just mentioned. A real estate engineer and appraiser employed by the city has certified to the city that in his opinion the fair cash value of the easement to be granted, when the reservations and covenants to be inserted in the indenture are taken into consideration, is not in excess of that sum.

Since the construction of the proposed pipe line will be very much in the public interest, I accordingly respectfully urge the early adoption by your Honorable Body of the order transmitted herewith.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston, as it is trustee of the public charitable trust created by the first paragraph of Item Fourth in the will of Mary P. C. Cummings, late of Woburn, Middlesex County, Mass., to grant to Northeastern Gas Transmission Company, by a written instrument approved as to form by the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston, in consideration of the sum of twelve hundred dollars ($1,200), and subject to the reservations and covenants hereinafter set forth, a right and easement to lay, construct, maintain, operate, repair, replace, alter, change the size of, and remove in the subsurface soil of the two hereinafter described rights of way a pipe line (with fittings and appliances, including cathodic protection equipment) for the transmission of natural gas, with all rights necessary or convenient for the use and enjoyment of said right and easement, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, a free right of ingress and egress over and across said rights of way for the purposes of said right and easement, a right to cut any trees or brush standing or growing within said rights of way that may injure, endanger, or interfere with the construction or use of said pipe line, and a right to use for purposes incidental to the purposes of said right and easement, until the expiration of one year after the construction of said pipe line is completed, any and all land lying within ten feet of the easterly sides of said rights of way and any and all land lying within ten feet of the westerly sides of said rights of way.

The first of said rights of way is throughout the length and breadth of a parcel of land, thirty feet in width, lying partly in the Town of Burlington and partly in the City of Woburn, Mass., the center line of which parcel is shown on Northeastern Gas Transmission Company's plat No NB-L21-DE13–1, and is more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point on the southerly side of a way in the Town of Burlington called Blanchard road, which point is eight hundred twelve (812) feet, measured along the southerly side of said Blanchard road, from a northwest corner of the land of the City of Boston as it is trustee as aforesaid; thence south 28° 32′ east, twenty-three hundred thirty-three (2,333) feet across the line between Burlington and Woburn to a point on a southeasterly bound of the land of the City of Boston as it is trustee as aforesaid, which is also a northwesterly bound of land now or formerly of one Charles Cummings and is one hundred seventy-six (176) feet in a northeasterly direction from a northwest corner of said land now or formerly of Charles Cummings when measured along said northwesterly bound.

The second of said rights of way is throughout the length and breadth of a parcel of land, likewise thirty feet in width, lying in the City of Woburn, Mass., the center line of which parcel is also shown on said plat and is more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point on a northwesterly bound of land of the City of Boston as it is trustee as aforesaid, which is also a southeasterly bound of said land now or formerly of Charles Cummings and is two hundred seventy-five (275) feet in an easterly direction from a northwest corner of land of the City of Boston as it is trustee as aforesaid, when measured along said northwesterly bound; thence

south 28° 32' east, sixty-three (63) feet to a point; thence south 35° 32' east, four hundred four (404) feet to a point on a southeasterly bound of land of the City of Boston as it is trustee as aforesaid, which is also a northwesterly bound of land now or formerly of Michael A. Seminatore and is four hundred ninety-two (492) feet in a northeasterly direction from a southwest corner of the land of the City of Boston as it is trustee as aforesaid, when measured along said southeasterly bound.

Said right and easement is to be subject to the following reservation: The City of Boston as it is trustee as aforesaid reserves to itself, its successors and assigns, the right to use said two parcels of land for any purpose (including the placing and maintaining of any structure in, under, or over said parcels) except such as may injure, endanger, or interfere with said pipe line (with its fittings and appliances, including cathodic protection equipment).

In further consideration of the grant of said right and easement, Northeastern Gas Transmission Company is to covenant for itself, its successors and assigns, with the City of Boston as it is trustee as aforesaid, its successors and assigns, as follows:

1. That if within three years after the granting of said right and easement Northeastern Gas Transmission Company, or its successors or assigns, shall not have completed the construction of the pipe line for which said right and easement is granted, Northeastern Gas Transmission Company, or its successors or assigns, will release and surrender said right and easement and the rights necessary or convenient for the use and enjoyment thereof;

2. That every pipe line laid or constructed under said right and easement, with its fittings and appliances (including cathodic protection equipment), will be kept in good repair and condition and will be buried to such depth, not less than four feet, that it will not interfere with the cultivation of the soil;

3. That whenever from time to time Northeastern Gas Transmission Company, or its successors or assigns, in the exercise, or purported exercise, of said right and easement or of any of the rights necessary or convenient for the use and enjoyment of said right and easement, disturbs the surface of the soil of, or any fence, wall, or structure on, either of said parcels of land or the ten-foot strips on the easterly or westerly sides thereof, or cuts any tree or brush standing or growing on either of said parcels or any of said ten-foot strips, Northeastern Gas Transmission Company, or its successors or assigns, will, as soon thereafter as reasonably may be, restore such soil surface, fence, wall, or structure to substantially the same condition in which it was immediately prior to such disturbance, and, unless otherwise directed in writing by the City of Boston as it is trustee as aforesaid, its successors or assigns, remove from the premises any and all trees and brush so cut;

4. That Northeastern Gas Transmission Company, its successors and assigns, will indemnify and save harmless the City of Boston as it is trustee as aforesaid, its successors and assigns, from any and all duties, excises, assessments, rates, taxes, claims, demands, actions, causes of action, suits, damages, costs, expenses, and liabilities whatsoever, of every name and nature, both at law and in equity, occasioned by or in any way growing out of (*a*) the granting of said right and easement or of the rights necessary or convenient for the use and enjoyment of said right and easement, or (*b*) the holding, exercise, or purported exercise, of said right and easement or said rights or any thereof, or (*c*) the leaking, breaking, or bursting of said pipe line; and

5. That if at any time Northeastern Gas Transmission Company, or its successors or assigns, abandons the pipe line for which said right and easement is granted, Northeastern Gas Transmission Company, or its successors or assigns, will remove said pipe line and release and surrender said right and easement and the rights necessary or convenient for the use and enjoyment thereof.

Further Ordered; That the sum of twelve hundred dollars to be paid for the grant described in the foregoing order be added to the corpus of the public charitable trust created by the second paragraph of said Item Fourth, the net income therefrom to be applied to the care and maintenance of the real estate in Woburn and Burlington devised to the City of Boston by the first paragraph of said Item Fourth as a public pleasure ground.

Further Ordered; That the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized and requested to petition the Supreme Judicial Court in the name and behalf of the City of Boston as it is trustee of the public charitable trusts created by Item Fourth in the will of Mary P. C. Cummings, late of Woburn, Middlesex County, Mass., for instructions whether the City of Boston as trustee as aforesaid may (1) lawfully make the grant described in the first of the foregoing orders, and (2) add the twelve hundred dollars to be paid therefor to the corpus of the public charitable trust created by the second paragraph of said Item Fourth, the net income therefrom to be applied to the care and maintenance of the real estate in Woburn and Burlington devised to the City of Boston by the first paragraph of said Item Fourth as a public pleasure ground.

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Arthur F. Burns, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Louis A. Carangelo, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 378 and 380 North street, caused by water being shut off.

Sadie Daniels, for compensation for damage to property at 7 Tolman street, Dorchester, caused by cellar being flooded.

Alice L. Gebhard, for compensation for damage to car by falling limb of tree.

Gentles Baking Company, Inc., for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Georgia L. Hilton, for compensation for damage to property at 11 Sunnyside street, Jamaica Plain, caused during resurfacing of street.

Francis J. Hurley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Salvatore Indelicato, for compensation for damage to property at 102 Salem street, caused by truck of School Committee.

Oscar F. Jacobson, for compensation for damage to car by police cruising car.

Herbert P. McGettrick, for compensation for damage to fence at 53 Rutland street, Boston, caused by falling limb of tree.

Yale Shapiro, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Daniel F. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to property at 361 Vermont street, caused by construction of sidewalk.

Florence A. Voss, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Carmody street.

Executive.

Petition of Elizabeth M. Desmond, to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Joseph S. Desmond, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Rose C. Degan, to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Francis J. Degan, late member of Fire Department.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Paula M. Ligums, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved by the Council.

NOTICES FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Utilities of hearing, to be held at its hearing room on August 9, 1951, at 10 o'clock A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority to operate motor vehicles over James J. Storrow Memorial Parkway.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Utilities of hearing, to be held at its hearing room on August 7, 1951, at 10 o'clock A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for track connections, Washington Street North and City square, Charlestown.

Notice was received from State Department of Public Utilities of hearing, to be held at its hearing room on August 9, 1951, at 10 o'clock A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority to operate motor vehicles over Malden street, between Albany street and Harrison avenue.

Copy of order was received granting approval to Boston Edison Company for exemption of land on Cedar avenue, Dorchester, from zoning law.

Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

1. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred July 23) of Harry Freedman, Carmine Joseph Lauria, and Bartholomew A. Trant as constables with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

2. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred July 23) of Donald L. McColgan as constable not authorized to serve civil process, and to serve without bond, for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Shanley and Coffey. Whole number of ballots, 14, yeas 14, and the appointments were confirmed.

EXCHANGE OF LANDS WITH COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION.

Coun. COOK called up under unfinished business No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for exchange of land on Washington street, West Roxbury, for other lands of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan District Commission.

On July 16, 1951, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 17, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 19, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—19.

Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred July 16) on sale of certain land in Charlestown to Tudor Company—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted. On motion of Councilor Beades, the order was recommitted to the Committee on Public Lands.

2. Report on message and order (referred July 23) on sale of Ward Street Receiving Station to Heggie Corporation—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

EXTRA WORKERS IN ELECTION DEPARTMENT.

Coun. McCOLGAN submitted the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Board of Election Commissioners to look into the advisability of putting on three shifts of workers in that department during the next three weeks, so as to properly certify the papers of candidates who have filed for public office.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

DUMPING OF REFUSE AT CALF PASTURE SITE.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor demand the Health Commissioner and the Housing Authority to take immediate steps to stop the dumping of refuse at the Calf Pasture site, on the part of the contractor who is constructing the new housing project in that area.

Referred to Committee on Public Works.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JOHN F. SULLIVAN.

Coun. LANE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Monastery road and Washington street, Ward 21, in honor of Lieut. John F. Sullivan, United States Army Air Corps, who was killed in India on September 25, 1943.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON EAST SEVENTH STREET.

Coun. WENZLER and McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of East Seventh street, from L street to O street, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REMOVAL OF DEAD TREE ON MATTHEW J. SWEENEY PLAYGROUND.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove a dead tree on the Matthew J. Sweeney Playground, West Fifth street, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

BOSTON DISTRICT OFFICE OF VETERANS ADMINISTRATION.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY, BEADES, and ANSEL offered the following:

Whereas, The closing of the Boston District Office of the Veterans Administration will put 831 employees out of work; and

Whereas, The closing of the Boston District Office of the Veterans Administration will cause many hardships and inconveniences to the veterans of Boston; be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council in meeting assembled go on record as vigorously opposed to the closing of this office; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the President of the United States, the Massachusetts delegates in Congress, and to the Veterans Office Administrator, Carl R. Gray, Jr.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

TEMPLETON STREET ONE WAY.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, that Templeton street, Dorchester, be made one way, in order to alleviate the congestion now in existence on this street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PURCHASE OF LAND ON WHITFIELD STREET FOR PLAY AREA.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the feasibility of purchasing a lot of land on Whitfield street at the old Hood's barn site in order to make this lot of land a play area for small children.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PROPOSED INCREASE OF AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE RATES.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the State Public Utilities Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to object to any raise in automobile insurance that may be imposed upon the residents of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 2.50 P.M., on motion of Councilor Cook, to meet on Monday, August 6, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, August 6, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor P. A. Tracy.

The Reverend Christopher C. O'Neill, of St. Margaret's Church, Dorchester, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. CHRISTOPHER C. O'NEILL.

We pray Thee, O God of might, wisdom, and justice, through whom authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted, and judgments decreed, to assist with Thy Holy Spirit of counsel and fortitude all the civil authorities of our great country.

We pray first for the President of the United States, that his administration may be conducted in righteousness and be eminently useful to thy people over whom he presides by encouraging due respect for virtue and religion by a faithful execution of the laws of justice and mercy, and by restraining vice and immorality.

May the laws of Thy infinite wisdom direct the deliberations of Congress and shine forth in all the proceedings and laws formulated for our rule and government, so that they may tend to the preservation of peace, the promotion of national happiness, the increase of industry, sobriety, and useful knowledge, and may perpetuate to us blessings of equal liberty.

We pray also for His Excellency, the Governor of this state, and for all the members of State Government.

We pray for the Mayor of our beloved City of Boston, and for the members of the City Council, judges, magistrates, and other officials who are appointed to guard our political welfare, that they may be enabled by Thy powerful protection to discharge the duties of their respective stations with honesty and ability.

We recommend likewise to Thy unbounded mercy all our brethren and fellow citizens throughout the entire United States, that they may be blessed with Thy knowledge and sanctified in the service of Thy most holy will for union and peace which the world cannot give, and, after enjoying the blessings of this life, be admitted to those which are eternal.

And, finally, we ask for peace in this world. Give to this world that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be disposed to obey Thy commandments, and the spirit of enemies being thus removed, our times by Thy protection may be peaceful. Through Christ, our Lord, Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

STATEMENT OF DANIEL F. SULLIVAN.

Councilor Sullivan asked unaminous consent to make a statement. No objection was made, and Councilor Sullivan addressed the Council on the seating of Mr. Banks as the councilor from Ward 9.

CERTIFICATION OF LAURENCE H. BANKS AS COUNCILOR FROM WARD 9.

The following were received:

City of Boston,
Board of Election Commissioners,
July 31, 1951.

To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

The Board of Election Commissioners transmits to you herewith, through the City Clerk, a certificate of the election of Laurence H. Banks to be a member of the City Council of Boston from Ward 9 for the term ending on the first Monday in January, 1952.

The election was held on November 8, 1949. The intervening delay in issuing the certificate of election has been caused by litigation which was terminated by the issuance on July 31, 1951, by the Suffolk Superior Court, after rescript from the Supreme Judicial Court, of a writ of mandamus in the case of Laurence H. Banks vs. Board of Election Commissioners of the City of Boston and Daniel F. Sullivan, intervener.

BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS,
By GERTRUDE A. PEAU, Secretary

City of Boston,
Board of Election Commissioners,
July 31, 1951

Walter J. Malloy, Esq.,
City Clerk, Boston.
Dear Sir:

We certify that at the City Election held in the City of Boston on November 8, 1949, for the choice of member of the City Council from Ward 9 for the term of two years, Laurence H. Banks of 23 Haskins street was duly elected to said office.

Respectfully yours,
JOSEPH RUSSO,
EVERETT R. PROUT,
GERTRUDE A. PEAU,
J. JOSEPH CONNORS,
Board of Election Commissioners.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 31, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that Mr. Laurence H. Banks of 23 Haskins street, Ward 9, this day appeared at my office with a certificate, signed by the Board of Election Commissioners, of his election on November 8, 1949, to be a member of the City Council of the City of Boston from Ward 9, and I thereupon administered the oaths of office required by law to him as such member.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Placed on file.

The Chair appointed Councilors Cook and Chase to escort Councilor Laurence H. Banks to the Council Chamber, and Councilor Banks assumed his seat.

PETITION OF DANIEL F. SULLIVAN CONTESTING THE ELECTION IN WARD 9.

The following was received:

Boston, August 3, 1951.

To the Honorable the City Council.

The undersigned respectfully petitions the Boston City Council:

I, Daniel F. Sullivan, herewith protest the seating of Laurence H. Banks as City Councilor from Ward 9 of the City of Boston, as a result of the Municipal Election held on November 8, 1949.

I protest the issuance of a certificate of election by the Board of Election Commissioners of the City of Boston.

I protest any action of Mr. Banks being sworn in by John B. Hynes, Mayor of the City of Boston.

I respectfully request a hearing before the Boston City Council in accordance with the Boston City Charter, Statutes of 1909, chapter 486, section 50, as amended by the Statutes of 1924, chapter 479, section 15, which in part reads, "The City Council shall be the judge of the election and qualifications of its members," and in accordance with the decision of the Supreme Judicial Court in the case of Laurence H. Banks vs. the Board of Election Commissioners, a copy of which decision is enclosed herewith for your perusal, which decision says that while the court had jurisdiction until a certificate of election is issued by the Board of Election Commissioners, the issuance of the certificate by the Board does not infringe or interfere with the right of the Boston City Council to be the judge of the election and qualifications of its members.

I protest the issuance of a certificate of election to Laurence H. Banks by the Board of Election Commissioners, the City Clerk, and the swearing in, if done, by the Mayor of the City of Boston, for the following reasons, and request a hearing

before the Boston City Council for the Boston City Council to determine who has been properly elected and qualified to sit as the councilor from Ward 9 for the term 1950–51.

1. The ballots in said election were improperly counted both at the original count and the recount, inasmuch as I received more votes than were credited to me, and many of my votes were improperly credited to Laurence H. Banks, and Laurence H. Banks received less votes than were credited to him, and that many votes which should have been counted as blanks were counted for the said Laurence H. Banks.

2. That the certificate of election issued by the Board of Election Commissioners is based upon the faulty counting and crediting of ballots, inasmuch as they credited Laurence H. Banks with more votes than he received, and I am credited with less votes than I received, and there has been an improper determination of the protested ballots, and others of the protested ballots have not been properly determined, and the rulings on the protested ballots have not been consistent.

3. That the persons working on behalf of the said Laurence H. Banks, with the knowledge and assent, either actual or implied, were improperly allowed behind the voting rails in certain precincts by the officials in charge of counting ballots on election night while the counting of the ballots was going on for this position. Such procedure is illegal and contrary to the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Ordinances of the City of Boston, and as a result of such conduct I was thereby injured.

4. That an examination of the ballots, tally sheets, records, voting lists, precinct books and papers of the Board of Election Commissioners, if made, will show that the election was improper and not conducted according to law. This applies to their records, both before, after and during the election in November, 1949.

5. That my said opponent, Laurence H. Banks, knowingly or impliedly consented to persons working for and in his behalf, both before, during, and after the election, violating the Statutes of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Ordinances of the City of Boston in regard to the conduct of the election, and that he took advantage of the same, and that the number of votes he received was greatly increased thereby and should be thrown out, and that as a result of such conduct said Laurence H. Banks was not properly certified as elected, and is not properly qualified to sit as a member of the Boston City Council.

Respectfully yours,
DANIEL F. SULLIVAN.

LAURENCE H. BANKS vs. ELECTION COMMISSIONERS OF BOSTON AND ANOTHER

(And two companion cases *)

Counihan, J. We have here three cases arising out of a contest in a municipal election held on November 8, 1949, between Laurence H. Banks, hereinafter referred to as the petitioner, and Daniel F. Sullivan and others for the office of Councilor of the City of Boston, from Ward 9, for the years 1950–51. It is agreed that the returns of the election officers following the election showed these results, so far as here material,

M. Banks.....4,341 votes
Mr. Sullivan.....4,363 votes

It is agreed that as a result of a recount requested by the petitioner, G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 54, 55, § 134, 135, as amended, the Board of Election Commissioners of the City of Boston, hereinafter called the Board, determined the result to be:

Mr. Banks.....4,371 votes
Mr. Sullivan.....4,377 votes

On November 30, 1949, the petitioner brought the first petition, in which he seeks a writ of mandamus ordering the Board to count for him 23 or more ballots which he protested at the recount and which had been counted by the Board as blank votes, and also to disallow certain ballots allegedly counted incorrectly for Mr. Sullivan, and to amend its records accordingly. G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 249, § 5, as amended by St. 1949, c. 176. In this case the Board filed a demurrer and an answer.

Mr. Sullivan, who was allowed to intervene, also filed a demurrer and an answer. He is hereinafter called the intervener. After a hearing on the merits, the judge on January 3, 1950, entered an "order for issuance of writ of mandamus" in favor of the petitioner substantially as prayed for. On the same day the judge overruled the demurrers of the Board and of the intervener.

On December 23, 1949, Mr. Sullivan brought the second and third petitions, one for a writ of certiorari and the other for a writ of mandamus, both in effect seeking to have the Board issue a certificate of election to him. In each of these cases Mr. Banks was allowed to intervene, and he filed pleas in bar and answers. The board demurred to each petition. The pleas are in substance that another action is pending for the same cause and will be treated by us as pleas in abatement.

On November 14, 1950, the judge at the request of the Board reported the first case to this court "upon the pleadings, the evidence, my rules and exceptions thereto, and my findings of fact and order for judgment." G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 213 § 1B, inserted by St. 1939, c. 257, § 1. At the same time he also, without decision, sought to report the second and third cases upon the petitions, the demurrers of the Board, and the pleas and answers of Mr. Banks. The evidence in the first case is reported, and in his order of January 3, 1950, the judge made findings of facts. G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 213, § 1B, inserted by St. 1939, c. 257, §1 . See G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 231, § 111.

On the advice of the Law Department of the City of Boston no certificate of election has been issued to either Mr. Banks or Mr. Sullivan. It is conceded that there was no misconduct on the part of the Board. Because of § 48 of the Charter of the City, St. 1909, c. 486, as amended by St. 1924, c. 479, § 14, Mr. Sullivan sits as a member of the City Council as an incumbent holding over until the election and qualification of his successor.

We shall first consider the petition of Mr. Banks.

The demurrers of the Board and of the intervener were properly overruled. The only ground set forth in the demurrers which merits our attention relates to the jurisdiction of the court because of St. 1909, c. 486, § 50, as amended by St. 1924, c. 479, § 15, which in part reads, "The city council shall be the judge of the election and qualifications of its members." We are of the opinion that the court had jurisdiction. It is clear, and no suggestion has been made to the contrary, that by St. 1895, c. 449, § 4, the Board has all the powers and duties relating to "the determination of the results of elections." Therefore, until the Board determines such results and issues a certificate to one whom it has determined to have received the vote necessary for election, there does not exist anyone who is a "member" whose election and qualifications the City Council may judge. See Strong, petitioner, 20 Pick. 484, 496. Up to the point that a certificate has been issued, at least, the matter is in control of the court, which may in proper proceedings direct the Board to whom to issue the certificate. An adjudication to this effect does not trench upon the prerogatives of the legislative body. Madden vs. Election Commissioners of Boston, 251 Mass. 95, 102. Greenwood v. Registrars of Voters of Fitchburg, 282 Mass. 74, 80.

The Board and the intervener argue that the court is without jurisdiction because of Peabody vs. School Committee of Boston, 115 Mass. 383. But an examination of the original papers in that case discloses that the petitioner there had been furnished a certificate of election by the proper authority and had presented such certificate to the School Committee. In these circumstances it was correctly held that the School Committee was the judge of the election and qualifications of its members. The judgment of the committee that the petitioner was not qualified, because, as a woman, she was ineligible, was sustained. In Greenwood vs. Registrars of Voters of Fitchburg, 282 Mass. 74, 78, also relied upon by Board and the intervener, there was likewise a proper certificate of election.

We now consider the first case on the merits. It is properly here upon a report of the judge. G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 213, § 1B, inserted by St. 1939, c. 257, § 1. This is a proceeding at law, and the rule is that "the findings of fact must stand if as a matter of law susceptible of being supported on any rational view of the evidence. They cannot be reviewed or revised. The only question is whether as matter of law they must be reversed." Swift

* The companion cases are by Daniel F. Sullivan against the Election Commissioners of Boston and Laurence H. Banks.

vs. Registrar of Voters of Quincy, 281 Mass. 271, 284. The decision of the judge as to the intent of the voters on the protested ballots appears to be close and difficult. It was largely predicated upon the testimony of a competent expert and the judge's inspection of the ballots in addition to his observations and opportunity to see and hear the witnesses. It cannot be overturned. Andrews vs. Registrars of Voters of Easton, 246 Mass. 572, 576, 577. See Medeiros vs. Fellsway Motors, Inc., 326 Mass. Adv. Sh. (1951) 43, 44.

The judge found that of the 34 disputed ballots before him, 22 should have been counted for the petitioner, 11 for the intervener, and 1 blank. It is true that G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 54, § 106, reads in part, "If a voter marks more names than there are persons to be elected to an office, or if his choice cannot be determined, his ballot shall not be counted for such office." The judge found, however, that here an election official "had an opportunity to mark crosses other than those placed on the ballots by the persons who originally marked and cast them, and did mark crosses on ballots opposite the name of the intervener, which ballots I find had originally been marked with the intention of voting for the petitioner." Having, as it were, stricken the illegal markings from the ballots, the intention of the voter became clear in each instance so that the judge was correct in ordering that these ballots be counted for the petitioner.

As a result of his findings the total vote for the petitioner was 4,393 and that for the intervener 4,388. He was therefore right in ordering the Board to issue an election certificate to the petitioner after its records had been amended in accordance with his findings. See Commonwealth vs. McGurty, 145 Mass. 257, 260.

For the purposes of this case we need not decide what limitations, if any, are imposed upon the City Council acting under St. 1909, c. 486, § 50, as amended.

The intervener excepted to the refusal of the judge to permit him to introduce ballots protested at the recounting other than those offered by the petitioner. While this exception is mentioned in his brief, he does not argue it in the manner provided by Rule 2 of the Rules for the Regulation of Practice before the Full Court (1939), 303 Mass. 678. It must therefore be treated as waived. Boston vs. Dolan, 298 Mass. 346, 355–356. An examination of the questions saved, however, discloses no miscarriage of justice requiring correction, for there is nothing to indicate whether these ballots would have been counted for the petitioner or the intervener. For aught that appears, these ballots might necessarily have had to be counted for the petitioner. In this connection it may be noted that it avails the intervener nothing to assert in his brief that "The fact that the intervener . . . does not argue or refer to other exceptions taken at the trial, or errors of law in this brief, or fails to do so at the time of argument is not to be taken to mean that he has waived the same but he especially claims the same as if he had set forth the same and argued them fully before this court." Matters not specifically argued in a brief need not be considered by this court. Boston vs. Dolan 298 Mass. 346, 355–356. Richmond vs. Stanzler, 327 Mass. Adv. Sh. (1951) 249, 250. Dolan vs. Brookline Savings Bank, 327 Mass. Adv. Sh. (1951) 677.

All exceptions argued by the intervener in his brief have been considered by us, and we find no error.

For the first time at the argument before us there was presented by counsel for the intervener what purported to be a certified copy of an order of the City Council dated January 30, 1950, indicating proposed action by the City Council to determine for itself who is the duly elected councilor from Ward 9 for 1950 and 1951. Necessarily, because of its date, this could not have been presented to the judge as an exhibit. We can give it no consideration. But the intervener argues that we should take notice of it as an event of public interest because of what was said in Greenwood vs. Registrars of Voters of Fitchburg, 282 Mass. 74, 78–79. There, however, a certificate had been presented to the House of Representatives, and proceedings had already been started before a committee of the House, and the court could not interfere. That is not the situation here. We are of the opinion that the City Council could take no action until it had received a certificate of election from the Board.

The petitions of Mr. Sullivan come before us upon a purported report of the judge at the request of one of the parties without decision by him. The report is irregular. Moore vs. Election Commissioner of Cambridge, 309 Mass. 303, 305. The report must be dismissed.

In view of the fact, however, that these petitions have been argued here and still remain for action in the Superior Court, we deem it appropriate to say that these petitions for certiorari and for mandamus were not brought until after the trial of Mr. Bank's mandamus case in which Mr. Sullivan had intervened and in which he had a full opportunity to present all pertinent issues and by proper methods to bring them to this court if he saw fit. We discover no occasion for starting all over again. Moreover, the judgment hereinafter ordered in Mr. Bank's original case will, as soon as entered, make these issues res judicata, and in any event it would be a sound exercise of judicial discretion in the circumstances to dismiss Mr. Sullivan's petitions.

In the first case, a writ of mandamus should issue ordering the Board to count the votes as determined by the judge and, after amending its records, to issue a certificate of election to the petitioner Laurence H. Banks as the duly elected Councilor from Ward 9 in the City Council of Boston for the years 1950–51.

In the second and third cases the entry will be: Report dismissed.

So ordered.

Referred to Executive Committee.

DRAWING OF JURORS.

The Chair announced that it was in receipt of two venires for jurors, one for 136 and another for 36, and asked what the pleasure of the Council was as to when to draw the jurors. Councilor Wenzler moved that the jurors be drawn immediately, and the motion was defeated, yeas 6, nays 15:

Yeas—Councilors Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, McColgan, Wenzler—6.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, Yerxa—15.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Coffey, the Council voted to take a recess at 2.58 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President HURLEY at 4.52 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition (referred today) of Daniel F. Sullivan for hearing on the contested election of Ward 9—that same be denied.

The report of the committee was accepted, and the petition denied.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Bryan, the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet on Monday, August 27, 1951, yeas 11, nays 9:

Yeas—Councilors Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Lane, McCormack, Ramsey, F. P. Tracey, Yerxa—11.

Nays—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Coffey, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, Shanley, Wenzler—9.

TAG DAY FOR MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY FOR OLD AGE PENSIONS.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to set aside Friday and Saturday, September 28 and 29, 1951, as tag days for the Massachusetts Society for Old Age Pensions, for the purpose of raising funds to keep open a full-time office to assist applicants for Old Age Assistance

in proving their claims and furnishing representation for them at appeal hearings without cost or obligation.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

BACK SALARY TO COUNCILOR LAURENCE BANKS.

Coun. COFFEY and F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to pay to Councilor Laurence Banks all back salary from January, 1950, to the present time.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

IMPROVEMENTS TO CHERRY PARK.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair the present benches and install two new benches on Cherry Park, Ward 3.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred August 6) on granting easement to Northeastern Gas Transmission Company on city-owned land in Burlington and Woburn—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted. Coun. Coffey moved that the order be referred to Executive Committee, and the motion was defeated. The question then came on giving the order its first reading. The order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 15, nays 2:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, F. P. Tracey, Yerxa—15.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Wenzler—2.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred July 30) for sale of a portion of Charles River avenue, Charlestown, to Tudor Company—that same ought to pass.

The report of the committee was accepted. The question came on giving the order its first reading, and the order was rejected, less than two-thirds of the members voting in the affirmative, yeas 13, nays 3:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, McColgan, McCormack, F. P. Tracey, Yerxa—13.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, Lanigan, Wenzler—3.

Councilor Cook moved reconsideration, and reconsideration prevailed. On motion of Councilor Cook, the order was laid on the table.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. McCOLGAN, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition of William R. Stahler (referred July 16) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department,—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of fifty-nine dollars and fifty cents ($59.50) be allowed and paid to William R. Stahler in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

2. Report on petition of Joseph A. Sullivan (referred July 16) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Water Division, Public Works Department,— recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of three hundred ninety-eight dollars and sixteen cents ($398.16) be allowed and paid to Joseph A. Sullivan in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Water Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

OUTSIDE DRYING FACILITIES AT OLD HARBOR PROJECT.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Boston Housing Authority to take steps to install outside drying facilities at the Old Harbor Project in South Boston; and be it further

Ordered, That the Housing Authority inform the public housing of the conditions now existing in Old Harbor Village which makes it necessary to close the basements in which the clothes are now being dried.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

ARRANGEMENT OF COUNCIL CHAMBER FOR 9-MAN COUNCIL.

Coun. BRYAN and McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be requested to take the necessary steps with the Superintendent of Public Buildings in arranging the City Council chamber for the new 9-man Council, and also their individual offices.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPAIRS TO BENCHES AT 71 B STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair the benches at 71 B street, South Boston, which have been broken for the past two years.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON WEST SECOND STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on West Second street, between E and Dorchester streets, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PAYMENT OF LEGAL EXPENSES TO LAURENCE H. BANKS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Mayor shall reimburse City Councilor Laurence H. Banks for all legal expenses incurred by him to be certified as a member of the Boston City Council.

Referred to Executive Committee.

CONDEMNATION OF PROPOSED INCREASES OF RENT.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Resolved, That in meeting assembled, the Boston City Council, on Monday, August 6, officially condemn the proposed action of the Area Rent Control Office, contemplating increases of rent as high as 20 per cent, and be it further

Resolved, That the Boston City Council officially record itself in favor of state legislation that will halt these increases, pending legislative action by the General Court of the Commonwealth; and be it further

Resolved, That in meeting assembled, the Boston City Council officially urge the adoption of such legislation as will provide equitable relief to home owners and tenants to state-administered rent control laws; and be it further

Ordered, That copies of this resolution be sent to His Excellency the Governor, Paul A. Dever, Speaker of the House of Representatives Thomas O'Neil, President of the Senate Richard L. Furbush, and Minority Leader of the Massachusetts State Senate, John E. Powers.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

BUILDING OF CLUBHOUSE AT WILLIAM GARY WALSH PLAYGROUND.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to expedite the building of the clubhouse in the William Gary Walsh Playground as requested when the Commissioner introduced his budget.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 15.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric lights on the following streets in Ward 15:
Draper street, Richfield street, Howe street, Rill street, Trull street, Glendale street, Ware street, and Glen street.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

NOTICE OF DECISIONS TO ABUTTERS ON APPLICATIONS FOR GASOLINE STATIONS, ETC.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to notify all abutters of their decision after hearings have been held on applications for gasoline stations, public and private garages, etc.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

CLEANING VACANT LAND AT REAR OF GARDNER PLACE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Real Estate Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to clean up the vacant land in the rear of Gardner place, Ward 6.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

DRAWING OF JURORS.

The chair was in receipt of two venires for jurors. In the absence of the Mayor, the Chair appointed Councilor Banks to draw jurors.

Coun. WENZLER in the chair.

During the drawing of thirty-six jurors for the Superior Criminal Court to appear September 10, 1951, Councilor Coffey doubted the presence of a quorum. The clerk called the roll; present, 10:
Present—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Coffey, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler — 10.

A quorum not being present, the meeting adjourned.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.
(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

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SPECIAL MEETING

Wednesday, August 8, 1951.

Special meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 A.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Ansel, Cook, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, and P. A. Tracy.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

The meeting was held pursuant to the following call:

City of Boston,
Office of the City Clerk,
August 6, 1951.

A special meeting of the City Council will be held in its Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, August 8, 1951, at 11 o'clock A.M.

By order of the Court.

W. J. MALLOY,
City Clerk.

Subject: To draw jurors.

Placed on file.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Banks presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Fourteen additional jurors for Superior Criminal Court, to appear September 10, 1951, to complete venire for thirty-six jurors, twenty-two having been drawn at the regular meeting of August 6, 1951:

Said thirty-six jurors are as follows:

Angelo Minichiello, Ward 1; John F. O'Neil, Jr., Ward 2; John Marino, Ward 3; Charles Freeman, Ward 4; Maurice F. McAuliffe, Ward 4; Sumner R. Wolley, Ward 5; Robert B. Kelton, Ward 5; Richard H. Humphrey, Ward 6; John T. Kirrane, Ward 6; Arthur F. Reggio, Ward 6; Joseph J. McCarthy, Ward 7; James George Steigun, Ward 7; Frank X. Machnig, Ward 8; James H. Robinson, Ward 8; Michael McGurn, Ward 10; Anthony J. Morris, Ward 10; James A. O'Donnell, Ward 10; Jeremiah O'Sullivan, Ward 13; Frederick Gosule, Ward 14; Marius Hansen, Ward 14; Julius Safren, Ward 14; Aaron A. Silver, Ward 14; Max E. Todd, Ward 14; Hugh H. Landry, Ward 16; Nils O. Carlson, Ward 18; Francis J. Gibson, Ward 18; Catherine Grady, Ward 18; James S. Hanson, Ward 18; Joseph L. LeBlanc, Ward 18; Gregory Smith, Ward 18; Paul E. Glynn, Ward 19; Thomas J. Hughes, Jr., Ward 19; Joseph T. O'Leary, Ward 19; Patrick John Sullivan, Ward 20; Hyman J. Rosenberg, Ward 21; Philip T. Heffernan, Ward 22.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Banks presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

One hundred fifty traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear September 10, 1951, viz.:

William J. Danner, Ward 1; John Durante, Ward 1; William B. McGillivray, Ward 1; Joseph Miceiche, Jr., Ward 1; Edward J. Pearson, Ward 1; Edward H. Dwyer, Ward 2; Genevieve Fama, Ward 2; Patrick Harrington, Ward 2; John A. McCarthy, Ward 2; Henry E. Zingarello, Ward 2; Joseph P. DeGregorio, Ward 3; Joseph E. Drago, Ward 3; Nelson Florio, Ward 3; Hyman Kana, Ward 3; Henry J. Thibodeau, Ward 3; Elvera J. Johnson, Ward 4; Charles E. Nelson, Ward 4; George D. Sabotnak, Ward 4; Eben T. Smith, Ward 4; Patrick J. Toomey, Ward 4; Richard J. Bertolli, Ward 5; Talbot C. Chase, Ward 5; Anthony C. Gentile, Ward 5; William E. Prescott, Ward 5; John A. Boyle, Ward 6; John J. Morrissey, Jr., Ward 6; Susan M. Thorley, Ward 6; Peter A. Adams, Ward 7; Thomas J. Blessington, Ward 7; Michael J. Daly, Ward 7; James J. Farren, Ward 7; Eleanor F. Moynihan, Ward 7; Herman Parker, Ward 7; John E. Rull, Ward 7; Francis J. Sullivan, Ward 7; Joseph W. Sullivan, Ward 7; Hugh D. Wallace, Ward 7; Arthur K. Barrows, Ward 8; Elizabeth Collins, Ward 8; John L. Connorton, Ward 8; Walter H. Hickey, Ward 8; George M. Jackson, Ward 8; Salvatore J. Murgia, Ward 8; Karl D. Gullikson, Ward 9; Joseph E. Haines, Ward 9; Francis G. Kane, Ward 9; Edward Maurin, Ward 9; Otis Parham, Jr., Ward 9; Francis A. Roderick, Ward 9; Newman Smith, Ward 9; Franklin W. Wright, Ward 9; John Cussen, Ward 10; Ellen P. Dwyer, Ward 10; William Gean, Ward 10; Stanley W. Pozerski, Ward 10; John J. Costello, Ward 11; Catherine McKinnon, Ward 11; Dorothy Muir, Ward 11; Russell W. Tucker, Ward 11.

Charles Bouton, Ward 12; Curtis Johnson, Ward 12; James McMorrow, Ward 12; Ronald A. Olivier, Ward 12; Joseph K. Weiner, Ward 12; James P. Colbert, Ward 13; Charles Fredericks, Ward 13; Mary A. McArthur, Ward 13; Joseph A. Mueller, Ward 13; Charles W. Savage, Ward 13; Samuel Balder, Ward 14; Morris Brown, Ward 14; Denis Delaney, Ward 14; Chester L. Elwood, Ward 14; Arthur D. Hoffman, Ward 14; Fred Jacobs, Ward 14; Theodore Karchmer, Ward 14; Barnet Lourie, Ward 14; William Merlis, Ward 14; Israel Rosen, Ward 14; Harry Saudler, Ward 14; Paul N. Segal, Ward 14; Edward P. Walsh, Ward 14; Frank Beinaris, Ward 15; George J. Fleming, Ward 15; Alice R. Larkin, Ward 15; Patrick Maturo, Ward 15; Joseph Amaru, Ward 16; George Contos, Ward 16; Ruth G. Fasano, Ward 16; Roy F. Vadney, Ward 16; Thomas Waddington, Ward 16; John J. Cox, Ward 17; Dominic DeNaples, Ward 17; James F. Dillon, Ward 17; John J. Foley, Ward 17; John M. O'Sullivan, Ward 17; Guy C. Withan, Ward 17; David H. Guthrie, Ward 18; John H. Harkins, Ward 18; Charles J. Kannegieser, Ward 18; Nathan Karp, Ward 18; Harold A. Kelland, Ward 18; Arthur F. Morgan, Ward 18; John J. Nedder, Ward 18; Guy S. Nelson, Ward 18; Frederick J. O'Brien, Ward 18; Rose Persico, Ward 18; Mary E. Robinson, Ward 18; Cornelius T. Cohane, Ward 19; Percy W. Dickson, Ward 19; John J. Gaffney, Ward 19; Gerard J. Griffin, Ward 19; Charles R. Hennessy, Ward 19; Mary G. Larkin, Ward 19; Henry C. Norton, Ward 19; Joseph H. O'Keefe, Ward 19; Edward F. Piepiora, Ward 19; Maurice Sullivan, Ward 19; Andrew F. Wolfrum, Ward 19; Elmer Anderson, Ward 20; Kenneth H. Anderson, Ward 20; Alexander Bartolo, Ward 20; Francis W. Boyce, Ward 20; Francis J. Burns, Ward 20; James Ciampa, Ward 20; Leo S. Collins, Ward 20; William J. Connell, Ward 20; Timothy J. Cronin, Ward 20; John Hanrahan, Ward 20; Malcolm R. Lawson, Ward 20; Henry Roberts, Ward 20; Henry J. Savage, Jr., Ward 20; John Stephen, Ward 20; John Patrick Ahern, Ward 21; Wilbur J. Bernard, Ward 21; John S. D'Alessandro, Ward 21; John J. Flynn, Ward 21; George H. Hudson, Ward 21; I. Kenneth Libby, Ward 21; Norman R. Moses, Ward 21; Frederick J. O'Toole, Ward 21; Mary June Rochon, Ward 21; Walter D. Ahern, Ward 22; Fred L. Baker, Ward 22; Thomas Gerard Costello, Ward 22; Paul F. Creighton, Ward 22; Louis J. Dobbin, Ward 22; Frank C. Lane, Ward 22; Lindsley R. Sterling, Ward 22; Walter F. White, Ward 22.

During the drawing of this venire Councilor Coffey doubted the presence of a quorum, and the clerk called the roll, with the following result:

Present — Councilors Banks, Beades, Bryan, Chase, Coffey, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, McColgan, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, and Yerxa—12.

The Chair declared a quorum was present.

At the completion of the drawing of jurors, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 11.45 A.M.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, August 27, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilor Banks.

The Reverend James H. Doyle of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, Roxbury, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. JAMES H. DOYLE.

We pray to Thee, O Almighty God, to bless those who are here gathered, that we may live noble and useful lives; bless our memories, that we may ever recollect Thee; bless our understanding, that we may ever think of Thee; bless our efforts to prove worthy of the sacred responsibilities which have been entrusted to us. O Lord, give us victory not alone in the might of our arms, but in the righteousness of our cause, in the binding of all wounds, the healing of all grievances, the elimination of all injustices, the submission of all wills to Thy Holy Will, and deign to hear the petition which Thy Divine Son taught us: Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constables, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for the term ending April 30, 1952: Michael John Perroni, 63 Leonard street, Dorchester, and James Joseph Gannon, 45 Compton street, Boston.

Weighers of Goods for the term ending April 30, 1952: James F. Squarey, 86 Wrentham street, Dorchester, and Francis J. McCarthy, 85 Litchfield street, Brighton.

Weigher of Coal and Weigher of Goods for the term ending April 30, 1952; Walter A. Pasteslis, 4 Bay street, Dorchester.

Weigher of Coal for term ending April 30, 1952: Joseph C. Coyne, 10 Roswell street, Roxbury.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENTS, SPAULDING STREET, WARD 16.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of July 9, 1951, requesting the installation of "Children — Go Slow" signs at the end of Spaulding street, Ward 16, and also making Spaulding street a one-way street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
August 6, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated July 9, 1951, Requesting "Children — Go Slow" Signs at the End of Spaulding Street and Making Spaulding Street a one-Way Street.

Dear Sir:

In reply to above Council order, please be advised that at a meeting of the Traffic Commission, dated August 2, it was voted to make Spaulding street one way from Train street to Daly street.

On July 27 four "Slow" signs were painted in the roadway of Daly street and Spaulding street.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

WILTSHIRE AND HATHERLY ROADS ONE WAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of May 7, 1951, requesting that Wiltshire and Hatherly roads be made one way for the safety of the children in that district.

Respectfully
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
August 9, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the Council order of May 7 requesting that Wiltshire road and Hatherly road be made one way for the safety of the children in the district, a study of this area indicates that both streets are residential but not subject to through traffic. There is a steep grade appearing on these streets which must be given consideration in icy weather, and therefore, in an effort to suit the convenience of the residents who use this street, we would welcome an expression of preference from the councilor after he has talked with the residents to determine in which direction these streets should be made one way.

The matter of access to driveways and homes should be given special consideration, with the knowledge that there may be some inconvenience resulting to the residents during the winter months under snow and ice conditions if the street is made one way.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AND SIGNS AT FANEUIL AND MARKET STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of July 23, 1951, requesting the making of a survey to determine the advisability of installation of a pedestrian traffic light at the corner of Faneuil and Market streets, Ward 22, and also placing "Slow" signs and crosswalks at Faneuil street adjacent to the Faneuil Housing Project and McKinney Playground.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
August 6, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Re: Council Order Dated July 23, 1951, Requesting a Survey to Determine the Advisability of Installing a pedestrian Traffic Light at the Corner of Faneuil and Market Streets and also Placing "Slow" Signs and Crosswalks at Faneuil Street Adjacent to the Faneuil Housing Project and McKinney Playground.

Dear Sir:

In reply to above Council order please be advised at a meeting of the Traffic Commission on August 2 it was voted to place the intersection of Faneuil and Market streets on our proposed list of pedestrian push-button signal installations.

Orders have been issued to paint crosswalks in Faneuil street from the housing project to McKin-

ney Playground and to paint "Slow" signs in the roadway of Faneuil street at all important intersections.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TEMPLETON STREET ONE WAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of July 30, 1951, requesting the making of Templeton street, Dorchester, one way in order to alleviate the congestion now in existence on this street.

Respectfully
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
August 3, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order dated July 30, 1951, I wish to report that at a meeting of this Commission held on August 2, 1951, it was voted to make Templeton street one way from Dorchester avenue to Florida street.

The necessary signs will be placed within a short time.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REPAIR OF SIDEWALK, GEORGIA STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of July 9, 1951, requesting him to repair the sidewalk near 31 Georgia street or replace the bricks with granolithic paving.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 15, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in the City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk near 31 Georgia street or replace the bricks with granolithic paving, and this will advise you that a new artificial stone sidewalk has been constructed at the above location by the local paving service district forces under date of August 10, 1951.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

IMMEDIATE COMPLETION OF GALTY AND MERCIER AVENUES AND REGAN ROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 6, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of July 9, 1951, requesting that the reason be looked into as to why the contractor is taking so long in completing Galty avenue, Mercier avenue, and Regan road in Ward 17.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 30, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works look into the reason why the contractor is taking so long in completing Galty avenue, Mercier avenue, and Regan road in Ward 17, and this will advise you that the contractor was unable to procure corners and circular edgestone from the quarry.

However, these streets are now finished, and the loam spaces are being loamed.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALK, 596 EAST THIRD STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of July 23, 1951, requesting the installation of a granolithic sidewalk in front of 596 East Third street, South Boston, to replace the present one which is badly in need of repair.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 13, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office,
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install a granolithic sidewalk in front of 596 East Third street, South Boston, to replace the present one which is badly in need of repair, and this will advise you that the necessary repairs at this location were made by the local paving service district forces under date of August 8, 1951.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

STREET CONSTRUCTION, GALTY AND MERCIER AVENUES AND REGAN ROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 6, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of July 23, 1951, requesting that the contractor who put in Galty avenue, Regan road, and Mercier avenue repair the damage incurred on the various property owners' property when he installed said streets and sidewalks.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 30, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner demand that the contractor who put in Galty avenue, Regan road, and Mercier avenue repair the damages incurred on the various property owners' property when he installed said streets and sidewalks, and this will advise you that this matter comes within the jurisdiction of the Board of Street Commissioners, Room 401, City Hall Annex, Boston.

Mr. Ruthford J. Kelley informs me that both he and Mr. Haley, chief engineer, Street Laying-

Out Department, were on the street last Saturday, July 28, investigating these damage claims.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF COBBLESTONES ON K STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 6, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of July 23, 1951, requesting the removal of the cobblestones on K street, between East Second and East First streets, replacing same with a smooth surface.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 30, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works remove the cobblestones on K street, between East Second and East First streets, and replace same with a smooth surface, and this will advise you that this street will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction this year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON WEST SECOND STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of August 6, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on West Second street, between E and Dorchester streets, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 20, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on West Second street, between E and Dorchester streets, Ward 6, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for the installation of granolithic sidewalks during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

GRANOLITHIC SIDEWALKS ON EAST SEVENTH STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 6, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of July 30, 1951, requesting the installation of granolithic sidewalks on both sides of East Seventh street, from L street to O street, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 3, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works install granolithic sidewalks on both sides of East Seventh street, from L street to O street, Ward 6, South Boston, and this will advise you that this work will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for the installation of granolithic sidewalks during the current year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

DRINKING FOUNTAINS ALONG THE STRANDWAY AND PLAYGROUND AREA IN SOUTH BOSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 6, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of July 16, 1951, directing that new drinking fountains be installed along the Strandway and playground areas in South Boston and that action be taken on the request to remove the concession stand from Columbus Park, South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, August 1, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting that action be taken on the request to remove the concession stand from Columbus Park, South Boston.

This is to inform Councilor McColgan, through you, that I have issued orders not to allow the selling of ice cream or refreshments on Columbus Park or Columbus Park Stadium until further notice.

I have informed the police captain of Station 6, South Boston, to that effect.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ADDITIONAL BENCHES IN PARK AREA AT BLAKE HOUSE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 6, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of July 23, 1951, requesting him to put additional benches in the park area at the Blake House, Ward 7.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, August 2, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting the Park Department to put additional benches in the park area at the Blake House, Ward 7.

I have requested the deputy commissioner to make an inspection of this area, and, if it is possible to comply with Councilor McColgan's request, we will be pleased to do so.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

POISONED TREES IN DORCHESTER PARK AND WILLIAM G. WALSH PLAYGROUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 6, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of July 23, 1951, requesting the removing of all poison sumac and poison oak in Dorchester Park and also on the William G. Walsh Playground, Ward 17.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, August 1, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting the removing of all poison sumac and poison oak in Dorchester Park and also on the William G. Walsh Playground.

This matter has been referred to the general foreman of the Tree Division for his immediate attention.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REPAIRING DRINKING FOUNTAINS NEAR AQUARIUM.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 6, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of July 23, 1951, requesting him to arrange for the immediate repairing of both drinking fountains near the Aquarium in South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, August 1, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting me to arrange for the immediate repairing of both drinking fountains near the Aquarium in South Boston.

This matter has been referred to the deputy commissioner.

I am quite certain that the matter will be taken care of to the satisfaction of Councilor Wenzler.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PURCHASE OF LAND ON WHITFIELD STREET FOR PLAY AREA.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 6, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of July 30, 1951, requesting study of the feasibility of purchasing a lot of land on Whitfield street at the old Hood's barn site in order to make this lot of land a play area for small children.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, August 1, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order dated July 30, requesting the study of the feasibility of purchasing a lot of land on Whitfield street at the old Hood's barn site in order to make this lot of land a play area for small children.

We will take this matter under consideration when we are making plans for play areas in the future.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF DEAD TREE ON MATTHEW J. SWEENEY PLAYGROUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 6, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communications from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of July 30, 1951, requesting the removing of a dead tree on the Matthew J. Sweeney Playground, West Fifth street, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, August 1, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order dated July 30, requesting the removal of a dead tree on the Matthew J. Sweeney Playground, West Fifth street, Ward 6.

I have referred this matter to the deputy commissioner for his attention.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

City of Boston,
Park Department, August 8, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Supplementing my letter of August 1, relative to the removal of a dead tree on Matthew J. Sweeney Playground, West Fifth street, South Boston, please be informed that we are advertising a contract for the taking down of all dead trees in South Boston.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

CLUBHOUSE AT WILLIAM GARY WALSH PLAYGROUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of August 6, 1951, requesting him to expedite the building of the clubhouse in the William Gary Walsh Playground as requested by Councilor Farin when the budget was introduced.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, August 9, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting the Park Department to expedite the building of the clubhouse in the William Gary Walsh Playground.

This is to inform Councilor Farin that we have made all the arrangements for the erection of this clubhouse through the National Production Authority in Washington.

The architect has been engaged, and the plans are in the process of completion.

His Honor the Mayor has been very anxious to complete this building.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

SIREN-EQUIPPED MOTOR VEHICLES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 6, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Corporation Council relative to your order of May 21, 1951, requesting that an ordinance be prepared to provide proper penalties for vehicular traffic which fails to stop and pull to the side of the road at the approach of a vehicle with a sounding siren.

Respectfully
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Law Department, July 16, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

On May 24, 1951, you transmitted to me the following order passed by the City Council three days before:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Corporation Counsel to prepare a city ordinance to provide proper penalties for vehicular traffic which fails to stop and pull to the side of the road at the approach of a vehicle with a sounding siren."

The action of vehicular traffic upon the approach of a vehicle with a sounding siren cannot properly be made the subject matter of an ordinance, for under St. 1929, c. 263, s. 2, as amended by St. 1950, c. 78, s. 1, the Boston Traffic Commission has "exclusive authority . . . to adopt, amend, alter and repeal rules and regulations . . . relative to vehicular street traffic in the city, and to the movement, stopping or standing of vehicles on, and their exclusion from, all or any streets, ways, highways, roads and parkways, under the control of the city." (Underscoring supplied.) Accordingly, I respectfully suggest that the above-quoted order be referred to the Boston Traffic Commission for consideration.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM L. BAXTER,
Corporation Counsel.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
August 8, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of May 21, 1951, requesting that an ordinance be prepared to provide proper penalties for vehicular traffic which fails to stop and pull to the side of the road at the approach of a vehicle with a sounding siren, I wish to report that chapter 89, sections 7 and 7a of the General Laws, covers the requirements imposed on motorists with regard to their conduct when fire apparatus and other emergency vehicles are approaching.

It is doubtful that this Commission can adopt a regulation which will qualify for the General Law. Furthermore, it is desirable that traffic regulations should be uniform within the confines of the state, and, if various local communities have different regulations, the enforcement problem becomes complicated.

A further factor to be noted is that many unofficial vehicles are equipped with sirens, so that even if it were legally possible for this Commission to make the regulation, difficulties would arise due to the number of such vehicles using the streets and sounding their sirens for personal convenience rather than for emergency operations.

If it is the desire of the Council to further deal with this subject, I believe that the Law Department should be consulted with a view to submitting a proposed regulation or ordinance which might be effective and consistent with the state law.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety.

PUBLIC LIBRARY CAFETERIA.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Director of the Boston Public Library relative to your order of April 9, 1951, requesting a conference regarding the cafeteria situation at the library, which doesn't pay anything for the space to the City of Boston; yet the city maintains it by cleaning the premises without any compensation.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Trustees of the Boston Public Library of the City of Boston,
August 6, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

Some weeks ago the City Council passed an order requesting his Honor the Mayor to confer with the Boston Public Library Trustees regarding the cafeteria at the Library. The order stated that nothing is paid for the use of the space to the City of Boston; yet the city maintains it by cleaning the premises without any compensation.

The background of the situation is the following. Well over a year ago the Boston Public Library Professional Staff Association, with a membership of well over 400 members of the Library staff, asked permission of the Trustees of the Library to maintain a cafeteria for the use of the members of the Library staff. The Trustees granted permission to them for the period of one year from the date of opening the cafeteria, and eventually made a small space in the rear of the Central Library Building in Copley square available for the purpose, providing a counter and equipment as well as chairs and tables for the purpose. Included for the period of the first year of operation was, in addition to the use of the premises, the provision of light, heat, and water, as well as cleaning.

In granting permission to undertake the operation of such a cafeteria, the Trustees of the Library left the full responsibility for making arrangements for operation to the Boston Public Library Professional Staff Association. The latter engaged the services of a concessionaire for the purpose, after having obtained proposals from several individuals interested in the operation of the concession, which proposals included schedules of the prices to be charged for the food to be made available. From these several proposals the Professional Staff Association chose the individual with the lowest prices. In submitting bids all individuals, however, had been told that it was desired to keep the prices of the food at the lowest possible level, and in any case at terms which would be more favorable for employees of the Library than would have to be paid by them elsewhere. To make this possible it was agreed that no fee would be paid by the concessionaire for the use of the facilities and the premises, but that instead the price level was to be kept correspondingly low in the prices to be charged to the employees of the Library for food purchased in the cafeteria. It is on this basis that the cafeteria has been in operation since approximately December 1, 1950. The first year of operation will thus end in the latter part of November, 1951, at which time there will be reviewed the complete situation.

In the original instance the request for operating such a cafeteria came from the Boston Public Library Professional Staff Association. It took the initiative in the matter, and it agreed itself to operate the cafeteria. No other group in the Library did so, and accordingly the Trustees of the Library were willing to grant the permission to the Professional Staff Association for the first year of operation. Subsequently there has come into being another organization of employees in the Library, particularly among the buildings maintenance force. This group, the Boston Public Library Maintenance Employees Local Union No. 1314, has expressed interest in participating in the operation. The Trustees of the Library have indicated to them that, in the early autumn of 1951, when the entire situation concerning the cafeteria is under review, there will be consideration given to enlarging the participation in the operation of the cafeteria.

The Trustees of the Library will undoubtedly wish to make it possible for the employees of the Library to have the benefit of the lowest possible prices for food purchased by them in the cafeteria. They will therefore wish to give consideration once again to having the operation confided into the hands of a concessionaire who will provide the lowest level of prices possible. Presumably this can be done once again by not requiring the payment of a fee for the concession, with the understanding that the concessionaire will provide food

at prices correspondingly lower as a result. The cafeteria is not for public use, but only by members of the Library staff, particularly in connection with their noon meals, and for those who have to be on duty in the evening through the provision of an evening meal as well.

If there is further information which is desired, we shall be glad to attempt to provide such.

Yours sincerely,
(Signed) MILTON H. LORD, Director.

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EXAMINATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTIES SOLD BY REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONERS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners relative to your order of July 9, 1951, requesting that it be prohibited from the selling of houses that are boarded up and where the buyers are unable to examine the inside of the building; also that false representations of any sale be declared void and the money be returned to the buyer.

Respectfully,
JOHN B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Real Estate Commission, August 7, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Re: City Council Order of July 9, 1951, Requesting That the Real Estate Commission Be Prohibited from Selling Houses That Are Boarded Up and Where the Buyers Are Unable to Examine the Inside of the Buildings; Also That False Representations of Any Sale Be Declared Void and the Money Be Returned to the Buyer.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

Regarding the above-captioned City Council order, please be advised that the Board of Real Estate Commissioners and its auctioneer have been scrupulously careful not to make any false representations when offering property for sale. People who have requested the privilege of entering boarded-up buildings prior to the date of the sale have been given such permission.

It is necessary that most of the buildings that come within our jurisdiction be boarded up in order to prevent vandalism of a very serious nature. After boarding said buildings, if we are prevented from selling same, the department would not be complying with the statutory provisions of selling such property that came into our possession by foreclosure of tax titles.

In the past year and a half, although the Board has sold hundreds of parcels of land and many structures to the highest bidder at public auction, we have not been criticized by the purchasers because of our method of disposing of these lands and structures.

Very truly yours,
HERMAN CARP, Chairman.

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SUPERVISION BY HEALTH COMMISSIONER OF EXCAVATION AT CALF PASTURE HOUSING PROJECT SITE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Health Commissioner relative to your order of July 16, 1951, requesting that the excavation of the foundation at the new Calf Pasture Housing Project site be supervised; also the dumping at the Calf Pasture.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Health Department, August 16, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Your communication of July 18, 1951, enclosing copy of City Council order requesting that the excavation of the foundations of the new Calf Pasture Housing Project site be supervised, as well as dumping at the Calf Pasture.

The Boston Health Department is constantly supervising dumping in the Calf Pasture area in South Boston. Likewise, the department has made repeated investigations in connection with the excavation above referred to, including conferences with the Boston Housing Authority, the Coleman Construction Company, and the Coleman Disposal Company. Conferences have also been held with the Chairman of the Metropolitan District Commission relative to contamination of beaches in the South Boston area.

At present, excavating has been restricted to an area which causes, at the present time, no disagreeable odors, and dumping at the water's edge has been temporarily discontinued.

The Health Department will continue to supervise the area and take any necessary action to prevent contamination of the waters of Boston Harbor and the beaches within the city as well as to prevent nuisances caused by disagreeable odors.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D.,
Health Commissioner.

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ARRANGING CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER FOR NINE-MAN COUNCIL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Superintendent of Public Buildings relative to your order of August 6, 1951, requesting that necessary steps be taken with the Superintendent of Public Buildings in arranging the City Council Chamber for the new nine-man Council, and also for their individual offices.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Buildings Department,
August 14, 1951.

Thomas J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Relative to City Council order of August 6, 1951, requesting that necessary steps be taken with the Superintendent of Public Buildings in arranging the City Council Chamber for the new nine-man Council, and also for their individual offices, I wish to report as follows:

It is my intention to make a survey of the Council Chamber relative to the needs of the new Council under the Plan A system. It will be made in conjunction with our department inspectors and the City Messenger.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE P. DONOVAN,
Superintendent of Public Buildings.

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NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JOHN F. SULLIVAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary to the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of July 30, 1951, requesting them to recommend the naming of the square at the junction of Monastery road and Washington street, Ward 21, in honor of Lieut. John F. Sullivan, United States Army Air Corps, who was killed in India on September 25, 1943.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
August 8, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Chairman of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans receipt of your communication of August 1 and order of Councilor Lane, requesting that the square at the junction of Monastery road and Washington street, Ward 21, be named in honor of John F. Sullivan.

I beg to advise that the next meeting of the committee is scheduled to be held in October, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,
L. W. Costello, Secretary.

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TRANSFER FROM PARKMAN FUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners requesting the appropriation of $20,000 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

The 1951 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of $183,000 from the Parkman Fund. The budget allowances made provision for the appropriation of this income as it accrued for the purpose of defraying the cost of work actually performed on the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

I submit herewith an order appropriating the sum of $20,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, August 17, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners, you are respectfully asked to request the City Council to transfer from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund the sum of $20,000, which is now available, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of $20,000

When making up the budget estimates for the year 1951, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item 100, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1951, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

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Ordered, That the sum of twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of $20,000

Referred to Committee on Parkman Fund.

SALE OF VESSEL "JAMES M. CURLEY."

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 7, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Long Island Viaduct, connecting the mainland with Long Island, is now officially in use. As a consequence of the opening of this viaduct, it will no longer be necessary to maintain or operate a vessel.

Therefore, and at the request of the Commissioner of Institutions, authority is requested of your Honorable Body to sell the Institution's vessel "James M. Curley" at public auction, at an upset price of $25,000.

I most respectfully request passage of the accompanying order authorizing such sale.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Institutions Department, August 6, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Because of the opening of the Long Island Viaduct on August 4, 1951, the boat service to Long Island by the Institutions Department vessel "James M. Curley" is no longer needed. It has the following specifications:

Engine, one 1,200 h.p. superior Diesel; gross tonnage, 317; over-all length, 124 feet; length at the water line, 126.8 feet; beam, 28; draft, light, 12; draft, loaded, 16.

This vessel was built by the Northeast Shipbuilding Company at Quincy for the War Department, Washington, D.C. It was bought by the Institutions Department on April 24, 1946, as surplus property from the United States Government. It is an established fact that vessels tied to a wharf and not in use deteriorate rapidly.

Therefore, I request permission to prepare advertising immediately, and to auction this vessel at public auction for a sum no less than $25,000.

Respectfully yours,
John R. McGillivray, Commissioner.

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Ordered, That the Commissioner of Institutions be, and hereby is, authorized to sell at public auction, at an upset price of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000), the steamer "James M. Curley," no longer needed for public purposes.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO SPECIAL APPROPRIATION, SNOW REMOVAL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 13, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith an order transferring $125,000 from the appropriation for reconstruction of streets to the appropriation for snow removal.

This transfer is necessary because the budget allowance for this year of $300,000 is insufficient to provide for the amount spent for snow removal so far this year. The city has actually spent $411,554.58, and, while the estimate in the budget was $400,000, only $300,000 was granted by your Honorable Body.

In order that this deficit may be provided for, I most respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying order.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the Appropriation for Public Works Department, Paving Service, 23-14, Reconstruction of Streets, $125,000, to the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Snow Removal, $125,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION FROM RESERVE FUND TO INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed request for transfer of appropriation, together with the accompanying order, is forwarded for consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, $4,000, to the appropriation for Institutions Department, Steamers, Contractual Services, $4,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SALE OF PORTION OF CHARLES RIVER AVENUE, CHARLESTOWN.

On motion of Councilor F. P. TRACEY, the council voted to take from the table No. 2 on the Calendar, viz.: 2. Order for sale of portion of Charles River avenue, Charlestown, to the Tudor Company.

The question came on giving the order its first reading and passage. The order was passed, yeas 19, nays 2:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Yerxa—19.

Nays — Councilors Coffey and Wenzler—2.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

EASEMENT IN CITY-OWNED LAND IN WOBURN AND BURLINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

Coun. COFFEY called up under unfinished business, No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order to grant right and easement in city-owned land in Woburn and Burlington, Mass., to Northeastern Gas Transmission Company.

On August 6, 1951, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 15, nays 2.

The question came on giving the order its second reading and passage. The order was passed, yeas 15, nays 2:

Yeas—Councilors Beades, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Yerxa—15.

Nays—Councilors Coffey and Wenzler—2.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the Committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Ethel M. Campbell, for reimbursement on account of expenses incurred in excavating for sewer at 41 Marine road, South Boston.

John F. Daly, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Park Department.

Eric L. Erickson, for compensation for damage to property at 79 Tacoma street, Hyde Park, caused by laying out of sidewalk.

Catherine Higgins, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 46 Park square.

Tage L. Johansson, for compensation for damage to property at 64 Tacoma street, Hyde Park, caused by laying out of sidewalk.

Freda Kazin, for compensation for damage to property at 71 Tacoma street, Hyde Park, caused by laying out of sidewalk.

Bror L. Olofsson, for compensation for damage to property at 75 Tacoma street, Hyde Park, caused by laying out of sidewalk.

Edna Oshry, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Park Department.

Thomas Rabbitt, for compensation for damage to property at 67 Tacoma street, Hyde Park, caused by laying out of sidewalk.

W. Slattery, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Araby Rug Cleaning Company, for compensation for damage to property caused by break in water main in Dartmouth street.

Dolores Bowden, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Munroe street, Roxbury.

John E. Bunker, Jr., for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

James P. Clarke, for compensation for damage to property at 2 Hillside avenue, Jamaica Plain, caused by sewer blockage.

Margaret V. Cullen, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Avon street, Boston.

Darbury Room, Inc., for compensation for damage to property caused by break in water main in Dartmouth street.

Joseph A. DiAngelis, for compensation for damage to property at 19 Sheafe street, Boston, caused by water being shut off.

John F. A. Donahoe, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Blossom street.

Thomas Finnegan, for compensation for damage to property at 1331 and 1333 Dorchester avenue, caused by high water pressure.

Paul F. Heider, for compensation for damage to truck by fire truck.

Thomas V. Keough, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Independence Park.

Margaret L. Langmeyer, for compensation for damage to property at 351 Vermont street, caused by sidewalk construction.

Agnes Ledlie, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by an alleged defect in Irving W. Adams Park.

Liberty Mutual Insurance Companies, for compensation for damage to car of Alice Langill, caused by city truck.

Litten's Candies, for compensation for damage to property at 545 Boylston street, caused by break in water main.

John and Mary Maher, for compensation for damage to property at 168 West Seventh street, South Boston, caused by backing up of sewage.

John H. Martin, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Joanne Mayer, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Chauncy street.

William H. Murray, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 2261 Dorchester avenue.

Dolores Payne, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Prado, Hanover street, Boston.

Frank Rafuse, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Ray-Hour Hair Stylist, for compensation for damage to property at 134 Newbury street, caused by break in water main.

Frank E. Silk, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Jules I. Sirois, for compensation for injuries caused by fire apparatus.

Louise D. Smither, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in St. Mark's road, Dorchester.

Stephen W. Smolinski, to be reimbursed for suit of clothing damaged while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Viola Sperison, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Arthur R. Wellington, doing business as Harper W. Poulson, for compensation for damage to property at 547 Boylston street, caused by bursting of water main.

Rudolph J. Zygadlo, for compensation for damage to property at 34 Norton street, Dorchester, caused by overflow of water.

Executive.

Petition of Agnes G. Hayhurst, to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, William R. Hayhurst, late member of the Fire Department.

Petition of Mary L. Golden, to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, Edward F. Golden, late employee of the School Committee.

Petition of Mary F. McTighe, to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, James E. McTighe, late member of the Fire Department.

Licenses.

Petition for license to operate bowling alleys on the Lords' day.

Fenway Alleys, Inc., 136 Massachusetts avenue.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of Harry Freedman and Samuel Kofman, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved by the Council.

NOTICE FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Communication was received from the State Department of Public Utilities transmitting copy of order, granting approval of the construction, maintenance, and use of an alteration of and addition to existing locations for railway tracks in City square in the Charlestown district.

Placed on file.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS.

Notices were received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearings, to be held in its hearing room, as follows:

On August 23, 1951, at 10 A.M., on petition of Plymouth & Brockton Street Railway for certificate of public convenience and necessity for operation over certain streets.

On September 4, 1951, at 10 A.M., on petition of Boston and Maine Railroad for permission to file on less than statutory notice schedules increasing rates on commutation and certain other tickets.

On September 24, 1951, at 10 A.M., on petition of New York Central Railroad Company, lessee of the Boston & Albany Railroad, on petition for permission to file on less than statutory notice schedules of rates for increased changes in all forms of commutation tickets.

Severally placed on file.

LEASING OF LOUIS PRANG SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the School Committee of the City of Boston advising that the orders previously passed by the School Committee relative to the leasing of the Louis Prang School, Bartlett street, Roxbury, to the American Veterans of World War II, Roxbury Crossing, Post 120, for a five-year period, had been rescinded.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMISSION ON 1951 TAX RATE.

The following was received:

The Finance Commission of the City of Boston,
August 15, 1951.

To the Honorable the Mayor and City Council.

Gentlemen:

It is the annual policy of the Finance Commission to place on the record its analysis of the tax rate computations. This analysis is deferred until all the figures involved are definitely and finally fixed. It requires some time after the rate has been declared to discover and correct excusable errors in the computations and to make the necessary adjustments. The figures contained herein are, therefore, the figures finally adopted by the Board of Assessors and furnished by officials of that department to the Finance Commission.

The 1951 tax rate is now history. Fixing it at $62.80, or 20 cents lower than the rate fixed in 1950, was a welcome relief to the many who had been led to believe that it might be $70. It would have been little short of a disaster had such a rate been fixed.

The taxpayers today have been accustomed to see one administration after another take advantage of every opportunity to manipulate the figures in order that the rate might be determined at a lower level than might seem to have been justifiable. Such manipulation has been the annual custom now for so long that most taxpayers do not become exercised over it. They see only that a substantial increase is avoided, however it may have been accomplished, and they are gratified thereby.

In the 1951 rate computations there is no evidence of the questionable practices of other years. Nevertheless there are two big questions about the 1951 rate which only time can answer. The first relates to the assessable valuations. Undoubtedly the gap is smaller now between the fair market value, as reasoned from sales experience, and the assessed valuation, particularly of commercial and industrial property. However, the volume of dissatisfaction with the assessed valuations as shown in the appeals to the Appellate Tax Board for lower valuations is now approximately as great as at any time in the last decade. This is evidenced by the fact that the number of appeals to the State Board for reduction of valuations which were filed from Boston alone was 1,500 greater in the year ending June 30, 1951, than in the year which ended June 30, 1950.

High valuations make possible a lower rate, but in the end the tax assessment remains the same.

The second question concerning the rate relates to the revenues and income figures, which are the chief offset to the expenditure requirements. With a statutory limitation on the amount the city, of itself, can estimate the departmental revenues (said estimate being used in the tax rate computations), one administration after another has placed this figure at the highest notch allowable under the law. Subsequent events, i.e., the subsequent assembling of the figures of actual yield, have usually enabled the city to justify the high estimates, though at tax rate determination time in each year, there has been little more than a hope that the figure used was not too high.

In 1951 the estimate of departmental revenue, for which the city alone is responsible, was figured as high as the law allows, and as usual there is some misgiving that it can be realized. Furthermore, the State Tax Commissioner authorized the city to use an estimate of income from the State $6,000,000 greater than he certified in February, 1951 as the probable Boston share of this income. This largess was the principal means by which the city rate became lower in 1951 than in 1950.

The total of estimated expenses, which is the big item in the computations, was approximately $6,000,000 more in 1951 than in 1950. The increase in the total of estimated revenues almost exactly bridged the gap. The total of assessed valuations remained approximately at the 1950 level. This ordinarily is considered a meritorious accomplishment.

One of the heartening disclosures of the computations is that, in 1951 as in 1950, the city is on a "pay-as-you-go" basis. There is no borrowing in 1951 to meet current expense requirements. There is, therefore, no postponing of payment of bills incurred in this fiscal year to some subsequent period when "somebody else" would have to assume the burden. One of the burdens in 1951, and for several years to come, is the necessity to pay $2,000,000 to wipe out a $12,000,000 debt incurred on account of excesses in valuation determinations in the 1940's.

There are therefore two big "if's" about the 1951 tax rate. If valuations as fixed prevail against present efforts to reduce them, so far as city responsibility is concerned the 1951 rate may be said to be a fair one, and no criticism of its action can be leveled fairly against this year's administration.

If the income from the state does not come up to the expectation of the State Tax Commissioner at the time the rate was determined, the rate will have proven inadequate to the extent of the deficiency in the state income. However, the responsibility for any deficiency will not be upon the city administrators. The estimate for tax computation purposes of the city's yield from state sources must be what the State Tax Commissioner certifies. The city has no recourse from the decision of that official.

Nevertheless, if there is a deficiency, it will be the city which will pay for a too liberal estimate. In this connection it is well to point out that, in 1950, the State Tax Commissioner's estimate of the total available for municipalities was approximately $14,000,000 more than was subsequently collected. Boston's share of this overestimate was $3,000,000, and it was the cause of a cash deficit of approximately that amount in city accounts at the end of 1950.

Before citing the sources of revenue and the projected expenditures, it may be profitable to outline briefly the mechanics of the computation of the rate. From the total requirements for the city and county governments plus the state warrants there is subtracted all the revenues expected from city departments and the income expected from the state. The result of this subtraction is the first figure of the levy on property owners. A sum called "overlay — current year" is added to serve as a cushion principally to absorb the refunds on account of abatement of taxes. The result is the final amount to be raised by property taxation, and is known as the tax levy.

Meanwhile, the assessors determine the assessable valuation of the real and personal property in the city. The tax levy figure is divided by the number of thousands of dollars of valuation of assessable property, and the result is the tax rate per $1,000 of valuation.

The first figures of importance are the expenditure requirements. They are contained in the following table in detail of its principal classifications.

TABLE I.— WARRANTS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

	1950	1951
City Maintenance Requirements	$80,933,350 52	$86,758,045 25
County Maintenance Requirements	5,620,893 98	6,000,679 70
School Maintenance Requirements	23,904,847 83	23,770,058 37
School Buildings, Alterations, etc.	2,646,138 31	2,530,600 00
School Debt	170,873 75	167,391 25
City Debt Requirements	9,706,745 97	10,189,957 36
County Debt Requirements	128,887 50	120,882 50
Pension Accumulation	1,852,019 00	1,549,010 00
State-Boston Retirement	350,394 00	333,995 16
Overlay–Retirement Fund Account (Acts '50)	2,000,000 00	2,000,000 00
M.T.A. Railway Deficit	836,976 40	517,825 90
M.T.A. Rentals	130,376 53	—
M.T.A. Rental Interest	1,118 06	—
M.T.A. Debt Retirement	410,929 19	419,513 56
M.D.C. Assessments, etc.	1,579,153 03	1,687,041 23
	$130,272,704 07	$136,045,000 28

"City Maintenance Requirements" includes Pensions and Annuities of $2,675,536 for 1951, and $2,423,131.19 for 1950.

The items in Table I may be grouped broadly into six categories:

1. City, county, and school administration requirements.
2. Debt requirements.
3. Pension and retirement requirements.
4. Overlay deficit requirements.
5. Metropolitan Transit Authority requirements.
6. Metropolitan District Commission and State assessment requirements.

1. CITY, COUNTY, AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION. There was an increase of approximately $6,000,000 in city maintenance requirements. The details of this increase are given at a later point in this report, under detail of appropriations. The total of them is an ever-increasing item.

County maintenance requirements are largely for personnel. Salary increases account for the increase in appropriations in this category.

In view of the difficulties, much publicized, in the way of financing the 1951 public school needs, it will be surprising to many to realize that total school appropriations for 1951 reflect a net decrease of approximately $250,000 from the 1950 figure. However, appropriations for those activities entirely controlled by the School Committee increased by $620,839. This increase was due to the increased cost of salaries to teachers and other employees, the inauguration of the 40-hour week for custodians of school buildings, and the higher cost of supplies.

However, one factor which kept the appropriations for school purposes from going even higher was the change in financing lunchroom program, which has become a very important item of school expense. Under chapter 417, Acts of 1950, lunchroom disbursements are to be met from receipts of the program. This eliminates an appropriation for this purpose in the budget. A deficit appropriation of $189,000 has been made in 1951 to meet an expected gap between disbursements and receipts. In 1950, $725,627 was appropriated for the lunchroom program. Although this represents a comparative saving in appropriations, it also represents a corresponding loss in estimated revenue.

2. DEBT REQUIREMENTS. Of the three types of debt (school, city, and county) the most significant, in amount of change, is that of city debt. The amount of this paid off in 1951 is approximately $300,000 less than in 1950; and yet the requirements in 1951 have risen approximately $483,000. The latter increase is due to the fact that the credits applicable to debt requirements were reduced by about $770,000 in 1951.

3. PENSION AND RETIREMENT REQUIREMENTS. This item is the product of the operation of law and actuarial computation; moreover, it varies from year to year. If all the items relating to pensions and annuities: (viz., Pensions and Annuities, Pension Accumulation, and State-Boston Retirement) are grouped together for comparative purposes in these two years, it will be seen that the total for 1950 was $4,635,544, and for 1951 is $4,558,541.

4. OVERLAY FUNDING ACCOUNT. This $2,000,000 item is the annual payment by the city of borrowings made under the provisions of the Overlay Retirement Funding Account, Acts of 1950, which authorized the funding of the total overlay deficit, inherited by the present administration. This inheritance approximated $12,000,000 at the end of 1949. It represented the accumulation of the amounts by which the yearly overlay failed to meet the tax abatements granted for several years.

5. Metropolitan Transit Authority. This item is the amount which must be raised in 1951 to meet the operating deficit of the year 1950. Although it is less than the amount of the corresponding item in the previous year, the deficit currently developing for 1951 is expected to be many times this amount.

The other M.T.A. item in the 1951 requirements is the city's share of the charge on all the cities and towns in the transit district incurred when the M.T.A. took over the city's subway properties under the 1949 Act.

Besides this debt, there is also included in the computations an item to provide for Boston Elevated Railway annual deficits, which had accumulated over several years before the state purchase of the railway and were, under the statute, the obligation of the municipalities of the Metropolitan Transit District. In 1949 the Legislature authorized each municipality to fund its share of these deficits. Boston borrowed $10,150,000 and will make annual payments of $1,015,000 through 1959 for this purpose. This amount is included in the city's debt requirements mentioned previously.

6. Metropolitan District Commission and State Assessments. Provision for state assessments in 1951 is just about double that for 1950. The items in this category include State Audit of Municipal Accounts, State Examination of Retirement System, and Smoke Inspection Service. In 1951 Boston must appropriate for its share of these services as well as meet an additional $52,000 assessment for the Youth Service Board. The last item represents most of the 1951 increase in state assessments.

In the case of Metropolitan District Commission charges, there was relatively little change from the 1950 figure.

The next table supplies the detail by functional requirement figures.

Table II.— Detail of General Appropriation.

	1950	1951
Schools — Maintenance	$23,904,847 83	$23,770,058 37
Buildings (Alterations)	2,646,138 31	2,530,600 00
Debt Requirements	170,873 75	167,391 25
Statutory Payment on Loans	321,000 00	314,000 00
Interest on City Debt	1,636,318 45	1,651,507 50
Serial Debt	8,070,427 52	8,538,449 86
Fire Department	8,698,067 38	9,667,863 72
Health Department	1,512,188 00	1,630,487 70
Hospital Department	11,601,255 00	12,819,011 55
Institutions Department	2,520,290 72	2,639,570 71
Park Department	2,804,184 00	2,943,995 00
Police Department	10,278,533 00	12,118,964 90
Public Library	2,579,527 00	2,825,197 00
Public Welfare	19,262,112 88	19,439,395 74
Public Works	10,614,792 20	11,021,193 66
Department of Veterans' Services	1,447,820 50	1,601,339 45
General Purposes (City)	6,470,445 65	6,761,489 82
Overlay Funding Account	2,000,000 00	2,000,000 00
Pensions and Annuities (Non-Contributory)	2,423,131 19	2,675,536 00
State–Boston Retirement Fund	350,394 00	333,995 16
Pension Accumulation Fund	1,852,019 00	1,549,010 00
Snow Removal	400,000 00	300,000 00
Total City and Schools	$121,564,366 38	$127,299,057 39
County Expenses	5,749,781 48	6,121,562 20
Total City, Schools, County	$127,314,147 86	$133,420,619 59
State Warrants	63,297 17	119,584 94
Metropolitan District Commission	1,515,858 86	1,567,456 29
Metropolitan Transit Authority	1,399,400 18	937,339 46
Total	$130,272,704 07	$136,045,000 28

City — General Maintenance.

In the foregoing table the item "General Purposes (City)" refers to those departments not otherwise identified, which are largely the staff departments of the city.

There is a $6,106,472 increase in 1951 appropriations over those for 1950 for city, school, and county purposes. Approximately $5,400,000 of this increase is attributed to increased appropriations for city departments. A $260 pay raise given every city employee accounts for $2,253,800 of it. It is important to record that this increase will cover only seven months in 1951, since it was given in June. Approximately $4,500,000 of the $5,400,000 increase referred to are found in four departments: Fire ($969,787), Hospital ($1,217,757), Police ($1,840,432), and Public Works ($406,402).

The appropriation for personal service is important. In the Police Department this item rose by $1,273,800, due chiefly to the inauguration of the five-day work week; in the Fire Department it is $543,500; and in the Hospital Department it is $353,500. In the last named department, there was, in addition, an increase of $550,575 in Supplies and Materials, a reflection of rising costs.

Credits and Deductions.

In determining the tax rate the total figure used under the heading of Credits and Deductions is the second of major importance in the computations. It is the figure of expected revenues and income, other than local taxes, and is the chief offset to the expenditure requirements. The

items which make up the total are all estimates. The following table shows them for what they are in 1951 in comparison with 1950; it reveals also the source of the estimate:

TABLE III.—CREDITS AND DEDUCTIONS.

	1950	1951
Estimated Receipts (City Auditor)	$16,942,962 65	$19,373,000 00
Educational Income (Schools)	2,670,497 89	1,753,039 88
Income Tax (State)	5,541,858 17	4,339,772 84
Corporation Tax (State)	6,262,323 81	4,106,309 70
State-owned Lands (State)	200,033 97	216,207 48
Motor Excise (City Auditor)	2,000,000 00	3,700,000 00
Old Age—Meals (State)	285,461 47	293,127 30
Gas and Electric Franchise	36 01	33 82
Additional Receipts (State Tax Commissioner)	—	6,000,000 00
	$33,903,173 97	$39,781,491 02
Poll Tax (not included in above table)	508,116 00	499,994 00

The first item of the foregoing table naturally carries the greatest weight. In the first instance, it is the estimate of the City Auditor, which he bases on information furnished him principally by the various departments of the city. However, the assessors have the final decision as to what figure will be used. Hence in years when the tax rate can not be otherwise kept in control, this item is occasionally quite different in the rate computations than it was when certified by the auditor.

In 1951 the auditor's determination was accepted.

Because of its significance in the picture, and to show where the city expects to earn revenue in 1951, a detailed breakdown of the total is interesting. It follows:

TABLE IV.—DEPARTMENTAL RECEIPTS.

Department	1950 Actual	1951 Estimate
Board of Real Estate Commissioners	$107,903	$350,000
Boston Traffic Commission	24,232	20,000
Building Department	97,350	85,000
City Clerk	59,327	55,000
Collecting Department	42,130	40,000
Election Department	1,380	1,300
Fire Department	177,275	175,000
Health Department	135,423	125,000
Hospital Department	1,732,593	2,000,000
Sanatorium Division	246,928	155,000
Institutions Department	82,082	75,000
Interest	117,917	100,000
Library Department	32,953	31,000
Licensing Board	78,779	75,000
Liquor Licenses	1,562,712	1,550,000
Mayor	112,689	112,000
Park Department	105,898	105,000
Peddlers' Licenses	8,725	8,200
Police Department	74,561	75,000
Public Buildings Department	29,758	29,000
Market Division	115,951	115,000
Public Welfare Department	9,549,616	10,000,000
Public Works Department	166,047	115,000
Registry Department	59,263	55,000
Department of Veterans' Services	527,022	650,000
Street Laying-Out Department	143,042	125,000
Treasury Department	4,224	4,000
Weights and Measures Department	21,250	22,000
Housing Authority	582,580	1,100,000
County of Suffolk	803,020	750,000
Courthouse Grant	156,317	150,000
Land Court Refunds	9,307	7,500
Foreign Ships, Excise Tax	13,333	13,000
Parking Meter Fees	479,722	300,000
Chapter 372, Section 12—Acts of 1946	—	900,000
Canal Street Land	10,986	—
Totals	$17,472,298	$19,473,000

CONCLUSION OF COMPUTATION.

The difference between "Credits and Deductions" and "Warrants and Appropriations" having produced the figure for "Net Requirements," the calculation of the rate proceeds as follows:

	1950	1951
Net Requirements Before Adding Overlay	$96,369,530 10	$96,263,509 26
Overlay 3 Per Cent	2,891,085 90	2,880,212 74
Amount to Be Raised by Taxation on Real and Personal Property and Polls	99,260,616 00	99,143,722 00
Poll Tax	508,116 00	499,994 00
Amount to Be Raised by Taxation on Real and Personal Property	98,752,500 00	98,643,728 00
Assessed Valuation	1,567,500,000 00	1,570,760,000 00
Tax Rate	$63 00	$62 80

Overlay — Current Year.

This amount represented the 3 per cent added to the tax levy for 1951 to provide for any abatements granted on the assessment for this year. If the experience of 1950 is any criterion, the city will probably stay within this limit. As of May 31, 1951, there was a balance of $437,253 in the 1950 overlay account. The figure, of course, may be affected adversely by the decisions of the Appellate Tax Board on appeals made by taxpayers from their 1950 assessments. The dollar value of petitions still before the board is not available.

Three other items of the Credits and Deductions table merit comment.

Motor Excise Tax.

Here the anticipated revenue for 1951 exceeds the 1950 figure by $1,700,000, an increase of 85 per cent. This sharp rise is attributable to several factors: the increased volume of automobile registrations, the increased list prices of cars, and the increase in excise rates.

Educational Income.

As previously indicated, the change in financing the lunchroom program greatly reduces the educational income for 1951. The bulk of it is derived from federal and state aid and tuitions. These, together with unexpended balances from 1950, represent the 1951 educational income figure. Although it is estimated that the state will contribute $1,809,533, an increase of $270,530 over 1950, in school aid, under chapter 643 of Acts of 1948, this amount is not available for appropriation and must be used only to reduce the amount to be raised by taxation for the support of schools.

State Income Tax and State Corporation Tax.

The yield to the city in this category is a decisive factor in the tax rate. It is particularly so this year. Whereas the total 1950 estimated receipts from this source were $11,804,182, the 1951 estimate is $14,446,083. An unexpected allowance by the State Tax Commissioner of additional receipts of $6,000,000 materially affected the tax rate and prevented a substantial rise.

TOTAL PROPERTY VALUATION.

The total 1951 valuation figure shows little change from that of 1950, a reflection of the policy of the administration which was declared last year; the policy contemplated the gradual and eventual reduction of total valuations in the direction of a realistic level. One effect of such a policy is to discourage abatements of taxes at City Hall. The success of this policy with respect to abatements appears in the substantial balance in the 1950 overlay account of $437,253.

This new policy resulted, however, in an increased volume of petitions before the Massachusetts Appellate Tax Board; 4,526 cases were entered before that Board up to June 30, 1951 (the end of the Board's fiscal year). This represents an increase of 1,460 cases over the previous year. It is not known how many 1950 cases (appeals from 1950 assessments) have been decided by the Appellate Tax Board; but if any have been decided in favor of the petitioner, this amount is charged against the balance in the 1950 overlay account.

The property valuations by wards follow:

TABLE V.

Ward.	Personal Property.		Real Property.	
	1950	1951	1950	1951
1	$1,197,000	$1,231,500	$43,259,700	$43,470,300
2	648,200	679,300	33,596,900	33,380,300
3	86,957,100	87,306,000	450,423,000	450,015,100
4	1,017,200	1,037,600	102,611,800	101,688,600
5	34,450,800	33,833,100	168,408,400	168,263,200
6	1,881,900	1,873,300	75,308,700	75,653,000
7	741,700	698,500	25,715,000	25,823,300
8	1,142,400	1,052,200	25,165,100	25,451,100
9	1,159,500	1,209,400	24,522,800	24,540,600
10	333,800	318,800	18,647,000	18,721,400
11	549,500	523,500	24,297,800	24,336,400
12	429,400	432,700	30,286,100	30,299,000
13	249,500	255,200	23,009,500	23,608,400
14	1,043,700	1,120,100	43,537,400	43,609,200
15	354,300	405,500	20,557,600	20,706,400
16	756,800	797,200	33,910,700	34,185,100
17	477,600	521,200	33,526,200	33,691,900
18	1,311,800	1,401,300	48,195,000	48,931,500
19	669,300	650,600	32,025,400	32,159,800
20	584,300	568,400	52,976,000	53,552,300
21	867,800	838,500	74,803,200	74,949,600
22	876,400	819,300	45,116,700	46,150,300
Total	$137,600,000	$137,573,200	$1,429,900,000	$1,433,186,800

A significant feature in the real property valuation picture is the development in the higher-numbered wards of the city.

Wards 3, 4, and 5, the great tax-producing reservoir of Boston, the so-called downtown section, representing over one half of the total valuation of the city, sustained a combined loss of valuation in 1951 over 1950 of almost $1,500,000. This continues the downward trend from the peak year of 1930; in the latter year this group of wards represented $1,036,732,900 in valuation; in 1951 it represents $719,966,900.

On the other hand, the valuation of Ward 22 in Brighton increased by $1,033,600 in 1951 over 1950; its valuation in 1930 was $40,684,800; today it is $46,150,300.

The same phenomenon is true of Ward 20 in West Roxbury and Ward 18 in Hyde Park. The increase of $576,300 in 1951 over 1950 in Ward 20 brings the present valuation to $53,552,300; its valuation in 1930 was $45,443,600.

The 1951 increase of $736,500 in Ward 18 brings its valuation to $48,931,500; this compares with its 1930 valuation of $43,118,400.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD F. MULLEN, Chairman,
LEO J. DUNN,
FREDERICK DEANE,
JOSEPH K. COLLINS,
EDWARD U. LEE,
The Finance Commission.

ROBERT E. CUNNIFF,
Secretary.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from George W. Judkins, a member of the Board of Appeal, that he has been requested by the Boston Housing Authority to make an appraisal of certain properties at Morton street and Lennoco road, Forest Hills.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PARKMAN FUND.

Coun. LANE, for the Committee on Parkman Fund, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for appropriation of $20,000 from income of Parkman Fund to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed,—yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.

Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred July 30) of John A. McGillivray as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for the term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that the appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Yerxa and Shanley. Whole number of ballots cast 13, yeas 13, and the appointment was confirmed.

ROPING OFF STREETS FOR "AMVETS" PARADE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger, through his Honor the Mayor, be authorized to rope off Arlington street, Beacon street, Park street, Tremont street, and Huntington avenue to Copley square, in conjunction with the parade to be held by the AMVETS National Convention on Friday, August 31, at 7.30 P.M., and that same be charged to City Council appropriation for Flags, Ropes and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SALARIES OF ASSESSORS.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

City of Boston.
In The Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-one.

AN ORDINANCE.

CONCERNING SALARIES OF ASSESSORS.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

SECTION 1. Section five of chapter three of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as most recently amended by chapter four of the Ordinances of 1951, is hereby further amended in the clause establishing the salaries of the assessors, by striking out the words "the chairman, eight thousand dollars; each of the four principal assessors, sixty-five hundred dollars; each of the five deputy assessors, six thousand dollars," and inserting in place thereof the words "the chairman, eighty-two hundred and sixty dollars; each of the four principal assessors, sixty-seven hundred and sixty dollars; each of the five deputy assessors, sixty-two hundred and sixty dollars."

SECTION 2. Section one of this ordinance shall take effect on June 6, 1951. This section shall take effect upon its passage.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition (referred today) of Fenway Bowling Alleys, Inc., 136 Massachusetts avenue, for license to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the license was granted under usual conditions.

TRUCK ROUTES OUT OF SOUTH BOSTON.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request His Excellency the Governor to make plans for the construction of proper truck routes out of South Boston, such truck routes to avoid all residential areas and to be constructed before any further work is done, as proposed, on the docks in South Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PROTECTION FROM BOMBING ATTACK.

Coun. HURLEY and McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Director of Civil Defense be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to appear before the City Council Committee on Public Safety for the purpose of informing the Council as to what steps have been taken to protect the citizens of Boston from a bombing attack.

Referred to Committee on Public Safety.

PRELIMINARY CITY ELECTION, SEPTEMBER 25.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That meetings of the citizens of this city qualified to vote for city officers be held at the several polling places designated for the purpose by the Board of Election Commissioners on Tuesday, September 25, 1951, for a preliminary election, to give in their votes for not more than one candidate for the office of Mayor, not more than nine candidates for the office of City Councilor, and not more than five candidates for the office of School Committeeman.

The polls at said meeting shall be opened at 8 o'clock A.M. and closed at 8 o'clock P.M.

Ordered, That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of said meetings according to law.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INCREASED PAY FOR CERTAIN HOSTLERS, POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY and RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to grant eight hostlers assigned to Division 16 of the Boston Police Department a $300 annual increase in salary.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

USE OF FRANKLIN FIELD FOR ARMY PERSONNEL AND RADAR ACTIVITIES.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor confer with the members of the Boston Housing Authority and Park Commission relative to tentative plans for the use of Franklin Field by army officials for the stationing of armed personnel and a base for radar activities; and be it further

Ordered, That another site be used so that plans can go forward for the housing development to be constructed at Franklin Field.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ELECTRIC LIGHT AT WHITMAN AND NORFOLK STREETS.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have an electric light installed on the corner of Whitman and Norfolk streets, Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CATCH BASIN AT EDSON AND WHITMAN STREETS.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put in a catch basin on Norfolk street, between Edson and Whitman streets, Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TENNIS COURTS IN DORCHESTER PARK AND WILLIAM GARY WALSH PLAYGROUND.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to macadamize both tennis courts in Dorchester Park and to install a similar court in the William Gary Walsh Playground.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT COOPER AND ENDICOTT STREETS.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install automatic traffic signals at the corner of Cooper and Endicott streets, Ward 3.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CLEANING CATCH BASINS AT EMMET AND EAST THIRD STREETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange for the cleaning of the catch basins at the corner of Emmet and East Third streets, Ward 6, and to flush same after cleaning.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REMOVAL OF TREE AT 415 AND 417 EAST FIFTH STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the tree in front of 415 and 417 East Fifth street, South Boston, as it is undermining the building at that location.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

MTA SERVICE TO MISSION CHURCH.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to provide better car service on Wednesday evenings on Tremont street to take care of the people who attend services at the Mission Church.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Cook the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet on Monday, September 10, 1951, at 2 P.M., yeas 14, nays 3:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Yerxa—14.

Nays—Councilors Coffey, McColgan, Wenzler—3.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Cook the Council voted to take a recess at 3.12 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President HURLEY at 3.57 P.M.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for transfer of $125,000 from Public Works Department, Paving Service, Reconstruction of Streets, to Special Appropriation, Snow Removal—that same ought to pass.

The report of the committee was accepted and the order was passed, yeas 14, nays 1:

Yeas—Councillors Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey—14.

Nays—Councilor Wenzler—1.

MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Councilor Ramsey announced that there would be a meeting of the Committee on Ordinances on Thursday at 11 A.M.

MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY.

Councilor Yerxa announced that there would be a meeting of the Committee on Public Safety on Tuesday morning, September 4, 1951, at 11 A. M.

PROTESTING REDUCTION IN FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR CIVIL DEFENSE.

Coun. HURLEY and McCOLGAN offered the following:

Whereas, Greater Boston with its population of two and a half million men, women, and children is of national and international importance as a

large manufacturing, commercial, educational railroad, and seaport center, as well as an active naval, military, and defense center through its Navy Yard, Watertown Arsenal, air and military stations; and

Whereas, The explosives at the Arsenal, the Navy Yard, and on ships, together with numerous oil and gas tanks and innumerable other inflammable products added to the concentration of business buildings and extensive areas of wooden buildings, render the whole metropolitan district an especially desirable and vulnerable target for enemy attack; and

Whereas, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in combination with the City of Boston and other cities and towns, is giving full collaboration to the federal civil defense program through liberal appropriation of funds, and organizations of local activities by both official agencies and volunteer services; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston urgently call upon the Congress of the United States to repudiate its parsimonious cutting down by 90 per cent the appropriations for state and city cooperative civil defense work and restore to the original amount the appropriation of $525,000,000 requested by President Truman and thereby fulfill its constitutional duty and moral responsibility to do its share towards the protection of the lives, safety, and property of the American people in the interest of both national and international security; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States and to the Massachusetts Senators and Representatives.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 4.02 P.M., on motion of Councilor Ramsey, to meet on Monday, September 10, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, September 10, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., Senior Member WENZLER in the chair. Absent, Councilors Kinsella and Shanley.

The Reverend Richard M. Owens, of People's Baptist Church, Roxbury, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. RICHARD M. OWENS.

Almighty God, King of kings, and Lord of lords, from whom proceeds all power and dominion in heaven and earth, most heartily we beseech Thee to look with favor upon us and upon Thy servants, the President of the United States, the Governor of this State, and all others in authority, and primarily on the men who are gathered here today, upon whose shoulders a great responsibility rests; imbue them with the spirit of wisdom, goodness and truth, and so rule their hearts and bless their endeavors that law and order, justice and peace may prevail everywhere. Preserve us from public calamities, from pestilence and famine, from the strife of class with class and from all war and rebellion, but especially from national sins and corruption. Make us strong and great in the fear of God and in the love of righteousness, so that being blessed of Thee we may become a blessing to all nations. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we ask these blessings. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Farin presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Forty-seven traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear October 1, 1951:

Angelo Giardina, Ward 1; Anna P. Milward, Ward 1; Joseph E. Potter, Jr., Ward 1; Joseph Lipani, Ward 3; Michael Orlito, Ward 3; James F. McDonnell, Ward 4; John Hurley, Ward 6; Thomas P. Casey, Ward 7; Charles V. Hurley, Ward 7; Harold L. Daniels, Ward 8; John Derderian, Ward 8; Thomas A. Manning, Ward 8; John J. Moore, Ward 8; William N. Shaheen, Ward 8; Edward L. Cowen, Ward 9; James H. Hoffman, Ward 9; John Robert Laird, Ward 9; James H. McHatton, Ward 9; Richard L. Davis, Ward 10; Cornelius J. Flynn, Ward 10; George W. Moulton, Ward 11; Joseph R. Ouellette, Ward 11; James H. Rankin, Ward 11; Earl Lee Shook, Ward 11; John C. Bunch, Ward 12; William Lake, Ward 12; Roosevelt Pittman, Ward 12; John Arthur Bourque, Ward 13; Thomas B. J. Morris, Ward 13; John W. Walsh, Ward 13; Elliot Appel, Ward 14; Louis Black, Ward 14; Samuel N. Goldman, Ward 14; Bernard L. O'Brien, Ward 16; Henry W. Cahill, Ward 17; Ronald J. Murphy, Ward 17; Mary E. Stephens, Ward 17; James Mazzei, Ward 18; Karl G. Woessner, Ward 18; Thomas Charles Sullivan, Ward 19; Karl J. Fredriksen, Ward 20; Albert E. Stein, Ward 20; Harry Reek, Ward 21; David Donaldson, Ward 22; Catherine F. Galvin, Ward 22; Madeline Passaretti, Ward 22; Domenic F. Scata, Ward 22.

One hundred fifty-six traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear October 1, 1951:

Pasquale J. Abruzzese, Ward 1; Robert Boitano, Ward 1; Mary Virginia Britten, Ward 1; Julia F. Day, Ward 1; Jay Martin Hillen, Ward 1; John B. Peraino, Ward 1; Thomas J. Croall, Ward 2; Joseph W. Brewer, Ward 3; Nicola DeCicco, Ward 3; Albert L. Doucette, Ward 3; Samuel J. Heit, Ward 3; Edward L. Lyons, Ward 3; Angelo Jt Malvone, Ward 3; Manuel Moleon, Ward 3; Wilford R. Senecal, Ward 3; Hyman Victor, Ward 3; Christopher C. Beloff, Ward 4; Charles O. Brady, Ward 4; Stanley R. Leland, Ward 4; Donald P. MacDonald, Ward 4; John J. Regan, Ward 4; Charlotte E. Smith, Ward 4; Linwood W. Tracy, Sr., Ward 4; David Alford, Ward 5; Bert Davy, Ward 5; John Oxley, Ward 5; Bernard M. Robertson, Ward 5; Lawrence R. Schumann, Ward 5; Granville Sheldon, Ward 5; Nuncio J. Crea, Ward 6; Michael J. Curran, Ward 6; Matthew R. Fahey, Ward 6; Joseph J. Foley, Ward 6; Joseph J. Keating, Ward 6; Herbert O. MacKay, Ward 6; Anne M. Malinowski, Ward 6; Martin O'Donnell, Ward 6; Joseph R. Connolly, Ward 7; Francis X. Connors, Ward 7; Charles J. Dambry, Ward 7; James R. Donald, Ward 7; Daniel F. Donovan, Ward 7; Cecil J. Fisher, Ward 7; William E. Hughes, Ward 7; Daniel J. Keefe, Ward 7; John J. Lynch, Ward 7; Michael Ridge, Ward 7; Timothy C. Toler, Ward 7; George Bader, Ward 8; Richard E. Hazelton, Ward 8; Edward W. Kane, Ward 8; Clarence W. Barrow, Ward 9; John E. Jackson, Ward 9; John A. Jones, Ward 9; James D. McLean, Ward 9; John T. Snyder, Ward 9; Edgar St. C. Yarde, Ward 9.

Charles A. Gerke, Ward 11; Salvatore Incardone, Ward 11; Arthur L. Long, Ward 11; William J. Roe, Ward 11; Charles S. Tarvizian, Ward 11; Isadore Brickman, Ward 12; Jacob Gitlin, Ward 12; Abraham Goldstein, Ward 12; William H. McNeil, Ward 12; Solomon Revis, Ward 12; Frank Stokes, Ward 12; James M. Tighe, Ward 12; Peter D. Wilson, Ward 12; Lester A. Hamlen, Ward 13; William A. Locke, Ward 13; William W. Mattson, Ward 13; Francis Alford, Ward 14; Louis Belsky, Ward 14; Bernard Hoffman, Ward 14; Reva Karlin, Ward 14; Edward A. Mareus, Ward 14; Thomas J. McCusker, Ward 14; Hyman Racoff, Ward 14; Morris Rubin, Ward 14; Samuel Spiegel, Ward 14; James Goldie, Ward 15; Charles F. Kyle, Jr., Ward 15; William J. Ryan, Jr., Ward 15; Louis J. Saulnier, Ward 15; Michael Tighe, Ward 15; Thomas J. Connerton, Ward 16; Peter N. Galanis, Ward 16; Arthur E. Gallant, Ward 16; John C. Rennie, Ward 16; Leland C. Richardson, Ward 16; Louis A. Tessier, Ward 16; Cecil H. Dingee, Ward 17; John F. Gately, Ward 17; James F. Kelley, Ward 17; Rose M. Lyons, Ward 17; Clement Nicholson, Ward 17; Philip Rubin, Ward 17.

Rufus P. Browne, Ward 18; Leo F. Condry, Ward 18; Attilio D. Daddario, Ward 18; Daniel F. Doherty, Jr., Ward 18; Edward S. Faille, Ward 18; Monty Goodman, Ward 18; Ruth Harrison, Ward 18; John F. Heavey, Jr., Ward 18; Patrick W. McGrath, Ward 18; Paul J. Mitchell, Ward 18; James J. Rabbitt, Ward 18; Saul Shuman, Ward 18; Lester Wilkins, Ward 18; James M. Carney, Ward 19; John C. Drinkwater, Ward 19; Augustus W. Dwight, Ward 19; Catharine M. Fitzgerald, Ward 19; John F. Loftus, Ward 19; Albert A. McDonough, Ward 19; John Muise, Ward 19; Marshall Reginald Myers, Ward 19; Walter J. Norton, Ward 19; John A. Slavin, Ward 19; Alfred J. Teetor, Ward 19; John W. Townsend, Ward 19; Dorothy M. Woods, Ward 19; John F. Burns, Ward 20; George Cannariato, Ward 20; Melvin D. Caro, Ward 20; Peter G. Cox, Ward 20; Charles A. Donohoe, Ward 20; Manuel J. Grace, Ward 20; Joseph A. Harvey, Jr., Ward 20; Sherwin E. Hubbard, Ward 20; Frank T. Larson, Ward 20; Frederick J. Timmerman, Ward 20; Herbert J. Towle, Ward 20; Bertwell M. Whitten, Ward 20; Charles T. Florentine, Ward 21; William F. Joyce, Ward 21; Howard T. Leigh, Ward 21; Thaddeus Cornelius O'Malley, Ward 21; Eva P. Smith, Ward 21; Samuel Weiner, Ward 21; Michael J. Beirne, Ward 22; Milton H. Brown, Ward 22; James S. Burns, Ward 22; Peter J. Driscoll, Ward 22; John G. Foundas, Ward 22; William H. Hanlon, Ward 22; Gerard J. Kelleher, Ward 22; John E. Kulas, Ward 22; Warren N. Lindequist, Ward 22; Emilio F. Marino, Ward 22; Frank O. Mattson, Ward 22; Robert Powers, Ward 22; Charles H. Reilly, Ward 22.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constable, without authority to serve civil process, and to serve without bond, for term ending April 30, 1952: Robert Russell, 625 Columbus avenue, Roxbury, vice Edward Kelliher, 7 Highland street, Roxbury.

Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1952: Richard J. Braese, 17 Bryant street, Everett.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

EAST COTTAGE STREET, ONE WAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 4, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of July 16, 1951, requesting that the advisability be considered of making East Cottage street, in Ward 13, one way, from Pleasant street to Dorchester avenue.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
August 27, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of July 16, 1951, requesting that the advisability be considered of making East Cottage street, in Ward 13, one way, from Pleasant street to Dorchester avenue, I wish to report that the Traffic Commission at its meeting on August 23, 1951, voted to establish East Cottage street as a one way street, from Pleasant street to Dorchester avenue, effective Wednesday, August 29, 1951.

Respectfully submitted,
Wm. Arthur Reilly, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT COOPER AND ENDICOTT STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 10, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of August 27, 1951, requesting the installation of automatic traffic signals at the corner of Cooper and Endicott streets, Ward 3.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
September 5, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order passed on August 27, 1951, requesting the Traffic Commission to install automatic traffic signals at the corner of Cooper and Endicott streets, I wish to report that a survey has been made of this area and it is believed that the construction of the new Central Artery now in process in this section would make traffic signal lights ineffective during the construction period.

At the present time, in comparison to other sections of the city, the amount of traffic at this intersection is not sufficient to give priority over other more dangerous and more heavily travelled roadways.

Our funds for traffic lights are limited to revenue from the sale of land and buildings and present commitments are such that any installation at this point would have to come from a future sale of city land and buildings.

With the lessening of traffic on Endicott street which will result from the construction of the Central Artery there is some question whether a full set of traffic signals should be installed or merely a pedestrian signal to serve those attending St. Mary's Church during certain hours of the day.

In view of the above factors final action on this proposal should be postponed.

Respectfully yours,
Wm. Arthur Reilly, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF TREE, 415 AND 417 EAST FIFTH STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 10, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of August 27, 1951, requesting the removal of the tree in front of 415 and 417 East Fifth street, South Boston, as it is undermining the building at that location.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, August 31, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order dated August 27, requesting the removal of the tree in front of 415 and 417 East Fifth street, South Boston, as it is undermining the building at that location.

An inspection will be made of this tree to determine whether it is one that can be removed under the Shade Tree Laws of the Commonwealth.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

TENNIS COURTS, DORCHESTER PARK AND WILLIAM GARY WALSH PLAYGROUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 10, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of August 27, 1951, requesting to macadamize both tennis courts in the Dorchester Park and to install a similar court in the William Gary Walsh Playground.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, August 31, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order dated August 27, requesting the Park Commission to macadamize both tennis courts in the Dorchester Park and to install a similar court in the William Gary Walsh Playground.

These matters will be given our consideration.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

USE OF FRANKLIN FIELD FOR ARMY PERSONNEL AND RADAR ACTIVITIES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 10, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of August 27, 1951, requesting that a conference be held relative to tentative plans for the use of Franklin Field by Army officials for the stationing of armed personnel and a base for radar activities; also that another site be used so that plans can go forward for the housing development to be constructed at Franklin Field.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, August 31, 1951.
Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:
I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order, relative to the Park Commissioner conferring with Army officials so that another site may be picked for a radar station rather than the housing development site in Franklin Field.
I desire to inform Councilor Ansel that we have had several conferences during the last several weeks relative to this situation, and the Board of Park Commissioners had determined that the Army would have to find a location in some other section of the city. We had offered an area in Franklin Park to them.
The Park Commission has gone ahead from the past to make the necessary arrangements with the Housing Authority for this development.
Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.
Placed on file.

LAND FOR PLAYGROUND IN BRIGHTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 10, 1951.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate relative to your order of July 23, 1951, requesting the transfer of the city-owned land bounding on the rear of Seattle street, Cambridge street, North Harvard street, and Hopedale street for the purpose of making a play area for the protection and enjoyment of the great number of smaller children in this district.
Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Board of Real Estate Commissioners,
August 30, 1951.
Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Re: City Council Order of July 23, 1951, Requesting the Transfer of the City-Owned Land Bounding on the Rear of Seattle Street, Cambridge Street, North Harvard Street, and Hopedale Street for the Purpose of Making a Play Area for the Protection and Enjoyment of the Great Number of Smaller Children in This District.
Dear Sir:
We have been informed by the Park Department that they are willing to accept the transfer of the above captioned property.
We have advised the Park Department to contact Mr. W. A. McDermott, Assistant Corporation Counsel, Law Department, as to the proper procedure to be followed in the transfer of this property, in accordance with chapter 159, Acts of 1951.
Very truly yours,
HERMAN CARP, Chairman.
Placed on file.

PATRICK J. KENNEDY MEDAL OF HONOR FUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 10, 1951.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:
The Honorable Joseph P. Kennedy has tendered to the City of Boston United States Treasury Bonds aggregating $2,200 in par value for the purpose of establishing in memory of his late father the Patrick J. Kennedy Medal of Honor Fund, the income thereof to be used for a medal to be awarded annually by the Mayor, on recommendation of the Fire Commissioner, to a member of the fire fighting force of the Boston Fire Department who has performed an act of outstanding heroism in connection with his duties as such member. The late Mr. Patrick J. Kennedy served as Fire Commissioner of the City of Boston in 1905.
This beneficence on the part of the Honorable Joseph P. Kennedy is deeply appreciated, and I trust that your Honorable Body will speedily adopt the enclosed order so that the gift may be duly acknowledged.
Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Ordered, That the United States Treasury Bonds aggregating $2,200 in par value and presently tendered to the City of Boston by the Honorable Joseph P. Kennedy for the purpose of establishing in memory of his late father, Patrick J. Kennedy, who served as Fire Commissioner of the City of Boston in 1905, the Patrick J. Kennedy Medal of Honor Fund, income thereof to be used for a medal, to be known as the Patrick J. Kennedy Medal of Honor, which shall be awarded annually by the Mayor, on recommendation of the Fire Commissioner, to a member of the fire fighting force of the Boston Fire Department who has performed an act of outstanding heroism in connection with his duties as such member, be, and the same hereby are, accepted with gratitude and funded as the Patrick J. Kennedy Medal of Honor Fund the income thereof to be used as aforesaid; and further
Ordered, That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is, authorized to receive and receipt for said bonds in the name and behalf of the city.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

SALE OF LAND ON WARD STREET, ROXBURY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 10, 1951.
To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:
The City of Boston is the owner of approximately 35,560 square feet of land on the northeasterly side of Ward street, Roxbury district, now held by the city for the purposes of the Public Works Department.
The Boston Housing Authority desires to acquire the said parcel of land for the purposes of constructing a housing project thereon, and has offered the City of Boston the sum of $28,000 as the purchase price for said land.
The Commissioner of Public Works informs me that this land is no longer required by the Public Works Department. It is my opinion that the said land is no longer required for municipal purposes.
In view of the above, it appears that the construction of a housing project at this location will necessarily be advantageous to the people of the City of Boston. Therefore, I submit the said parcel of land should be conveyed to the Boston Housing Authority for the sum of $28,000.
I recommend your consideration and passage of the accompanying order.
Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 10, 1951.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:
The Boston Housing Authority has made arrangements for the erection of a housing project in a section of the Roxbury district which includes the City of Boston property known as the Ward Street Receiving Station, which is under the jurisdiction of this department. Negotiations between the Housing Authority and this department have resulted in an offer for the purchase of this property, free of buildings or other structures, for the sum of $28,000.
In my opinion, this is a fair offer, and as the property is no longer required by the Public Works Department, I respectfully recommend that the City Council be asked to authorize its sale to the Boston Housing Authority at the price above mentioned.
Yours respectfully,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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Whereas, The City of Boston is the owner of approximately thirty-five thousand five hundred and sixty (35,560) square feet of land on the north-

easterly side of Ward street, Roxbury district, being described as Certificate of Title No. 5972, Book 25, page 172, Suffolk Registry of Deeds, Registered Land Division, now held by said city for the purposes of the Public Works Department; and

Whereas, The Boston Housing Authority desires to acquire said parcel of land for the purpose of constructing a housing project thereon and has offered to the City of Boston the sum of twenty-eight thousand dollars ($28,000) as the purchase price for said land; and

Whereas, The land is no longer required for municipal purposes, now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized to sell to the Boston Housing Authority for the sum of twenty-eight thousand dollars ($28,000) the parcel of land hereinafter described and to execute and deliver in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to the Boston Housing Authority, a body corporate and politic under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, an instrument in writing satisfactory in form to the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston, conveying all the City of Boston's right, title and interest in and to a parcel of land situated in that part of Boston, formerly Roxbury, in the County of Suffolk in said Commonwealth and bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by the northeasterly line of Ward street, one hundred sixty-eight and 29-100 (168.29) feet; northwesterly by land now or formerly of Sarah E. Speak, one hundred twenty-five and 73-100 (125.73) feet; northerly and northeasterly by land, now or formerly of Charles J. Paine et al., two hundred thirty-nine and 60-100 (239.60) feet; southeasterly by land, now or formerly of Old Colony Railroad Company, two hundred thirty-three and 75-100 (233.75) feet.

All of said boundaries are determined by the court to be located as shown on a plan drawn by C. H. Wood Company, civil engineers, dated March 21, 1912, as approved by the court, filed in the Land Registration office, a copy of a portion of which is filed with Certificate of Title No. 5190.

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named:

Claims.

Peter Alex, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Frank Altieri & Son, for compensation for damage to property at 10 Faneuil Hall square, caused by break in water main.

John C. and Jemila Balyozian, for compensation for damage to property at 43 Emerald street, damaged by adjoining building.

Rose Carp, for compensation for damage to property at 80 Bernard street, caused by water being shut off.

Richard Cicierega, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Eileen Dillon, for compensation for damage to property at 11 Irving street, caused by backing up of sewage.

Louis Fossa, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by an alleged defect in City Collector's office.

George Washington Lodge No. 8, IOOF, for compensation for damage to property at 581 Boylston street, caused by break in water main.

Edward A. Harmon, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Nashua street.

Donald Horley, for compensation for damage to property at 178 Commonwealth avenue, during repaving of alleyway.

Arthur Kaplan, for compensation for damage to property at 6 Otisfield street, Roxbury, caused by overflow of sewage.

Delillus C. Kipp, for compensation for damage to property at 178 Commonwealth avenue, during repaving of alleyway.

Delillus C. Kipp, for compensation for damage to property at 174 Commonwealth avenue, during repaving of alleyway.

Roy Frank Kipp, for compensation for damage to property at 178 Commonwealth avenue, during repaving of alleyway.

Anna L. Klein, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Geneva avenue.

Launderin Company (Jack Victor Rotman), for compensation for damage to property at 2041 Centre street, West Roxbury, caused by water being shut off.

160 Commonwealth, Inc., for compensation for damage to property during repaving of alleyway.

Catherine Rosa, for compensation for damage to property at 164 Bayswater street, by water from blockage of main sewer.

Margaret H. Schickle, for compensation for damage to property at 215 South street, caused by leak in water shut-off on sidewalk.

Kenneth W. Smith, to be paid week's salary due him as employee of City Hospital.

Crestie Ventra, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 310 Cummins Highway, caused by water being shut off.

Sarah J. Yeates, for compensation for damage to property at 692 Bennington street, caused by manhole explosion.

Executive.

Petition of Anna M. Murphy, to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, James G. Murphy, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Mary T. Oberlander, to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, Warren Oberlander, late member of the Fire Department.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held in its Hearing Room on September 19, 1951, at 10 A.M., on petition of New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company for authority to continue in effect on a permanent basis, beyond October 15, 1951, the increased rates and charges for passenger service on its lines operating "via Atlantic" which became effective on January 15, 1950.

Placed on file.

NOTICE FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Communications were received from the State Department of Public Works, transmitting copies of layout and order of takings on alterations in two sections of the Boston Central Artery.

Severally placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF JAMES A. KELLY.

Notice was received from the City of Boston Health Department of the appointment of James A. Kelly as food inspector (emergency) for thirty working days, beginning August 29, 1951, at $52.95 per week.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of James A. McGillivray having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved by the Council.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred August 27) of Joseph C. Coyne as Weigher of Coal, of Walter A. Pasteslis as Weigher of Coal and Weigher of Goods, of Francis J. McCarthy and James F. Squarey as Weighers of Goods for terms ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred August 27) of Michael John Perroni and James Joseph Gannon as Constables with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond for the terms ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Yerxa and Banks. Whole number of ballots 12, yeas 12, and the appointments were confirmed.

SIDEWALKS ON CERTAIN STREETS ON BEACON HILL.

Coun. YERXA offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be directed by his Honor the Mayor not to repave with granolithic surface any of the sidewalks on the following streets, or sections indicated, on Beacon Hill:

Beacon street, from Joy street to Charles street.

Chestnut street, from Walnut street to Charles street.

Mt. Vernon street, from Joy street to River street.

Pinckney street, from Joy street to Charles street.

Myrtle street, from Grove street to Revere street.

Revere street, from Grove street to Charles street.

Joy street, from Beacon street to Mt. Vernon street.

West Cedar street, from Chestnut street to Revere street.

And all short streets, and places, connecting above-named streets within this area; and be it further

Ordered, That the City of Boston agrees that they will not replace the brick sidewalks with concrete on any of the streets, or sections of streets above named, unless the city first proceeds as follows:

1. Give 60 days' notice, in writing, to every property owner on the street, or section of the street, they desire to repave.
2. That the city will not proceed with the repaving if a majority of the property owners in the section marked for repaving, within 50 days of the date of the notice, indicate in writing to the Public Works Department that they desire to have the brick sidewalks remain.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

EMPLOYMENT OF ADDITIONAL WORKERS AT VARIOUS POLLING PLACES.

Coun. McCOLGAN and F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Election Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to employ additional workers at the various polling places throughout the city that do not have election machines for the purpose of counting the vote after the polling places are closed and relieving the employees who have worked from 8 A.M. to 8 P.M.

On motion of Councilor Ansel it was voted to amend the following order by adding the following words:

"And that extra compensation be allowed to election workers in those precincts where paper ballots are used."

The order as amended was passed under suspension of the rules.

METHOD OF PLACING PATIENTS IN NURSING AND REST HOMES.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Public Welfare of the Boston City Council inquire as to the methods of placing patients in nursing or rest homes which is practiced at the Boston City Hospital.

Referred to Committee on Public Welfare.

"SLOW" SIGNS AT HOMES AVENUE AND TOPLIFF STREET.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Department, through his Honor the Mayor, install "Slow" signs on both sides of Homes avenue (Ward 15), at the intersection of Topliff street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF CARLOTTA STREET WARD 16.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to lay out Carlotta street, in Ward 16, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PEDESTRIAN LIGHT AT BEALE STREET AND DORCHESTER AVENUE.

Coun. FARIN and BEADES offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a flashing pedestrian light at the corner of Beale street and Dorchester avenue, on both the Ward 16 and 17 sides.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

MANHOLES ON WASHINGTON STREET.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make all manholes on Washington street, Ward 17, fast, particularly those located between Codman Square lights to River street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING ON VOSE AND PLEASANT STREETS.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface the streets and sidewalks at Vose and Pleasant streets, in Ward 18.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON RIVER STREET TO PARK DEPARTMENT.

Coun. CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to turn over all the land vacant on River street to the Park Department for playground purposes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SALARY INCREASES FOR COURT OFFICERS OF DISTRICT COURTS.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor grant a $400 increase in salary to the court officers of the district courts of Boston, inasmuch as they are receiving much less than court officers in municipal courts in Suffolk County.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RAILROAD NUISANCE ALONG B STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad stop the ringing of bells and the blowing of whistles and to correct the exhaust nuisance along B street, across from the D Street Housing Project.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPAIR OF CERTAIN SOUTH BOSTON STREETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair Bowen street, South Boston, from E to F street, where there are several holes in the street. To re-

pair the brick sidewalk from 70 to 76 B street and 142 to 148 West Fourth street. To replace the concrete blocks at 606 East Sixth street that are 5 or 6 inches above the level of the adjoining blocks.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CHANGING BUILDING AT C AND WEST THIRD STREETS INTO RECREATIONAL AREA.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to change the Darius Post Building at C street and West Third street, South Boston, into a recreational area.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SALE OF PORTION OF CHARLES RIVER AVENUE, CHARLESTOWN.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY called up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for sale of portion of Charles River avenue to the Tudor Company.

On August 27, 1951, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 19, nays 2.

The question came on giving the order its second reading and passage. The order was passed, yeas 19, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler and Yerxa—19.

Nays—0.

THE NEXT MEETING.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY moved that when the Council adjourned, it would be to meet again on October 1, 1951. The motion was lost, yeas 7, nays 11.

Yeas—Ansel, Cantwell, Chase, Hannon, Hurley, Ramsey, F. P. Tracey—7.

Nays—Banks, Beades, Bryan, Coffey, Farin, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Wenzler, Yerxa—11.

PEDESTRIAN WALK AT FRANKLIN PARK.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to complete construction of the pedestrian walk around the playstead area in Franklin Park.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

HALL STREET, ONE WAY.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Hall street, Jamaica Plain, a one-way street, from South street to Call street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INCREASED ALLOWANCES FOR WELFARE AND OLD AGE RECIPIENTS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Public Welfare be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to increase the welfare and old age allowances because of the present increase in the cost of living.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor McColgan, the Council voted to take a recess at 3.22 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Senior Member WENZLER at 4.03 P.M.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on ordinance (referred August 27, 1951) for increase of $260 in the salaries of the chairman of the assessors, four principal assessors, and five deputy assessors—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) as to acceptance of gift of United States Treasury Bonds in the amount of $2,200, establishing the Patrick J. Kennedy Medal of Honor Fund—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

Adjourned at 4.04 P.M., on motion of Councilor F. P. Tracey, to meet on Monday, September 17, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of the Council.

Monday, September 17, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Lane, Shanley, and Wenzler.

The Right Reverend Francis A. Burke, Pastor of the Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church, Jamaica Plain, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY RT. REV. FRANCIS A. BURKE.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all uphill,
When the funds are low and the debts are high,
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,
When care is pressing you down a bit —
Rest if you must, but don't you quit.

Life is queer with its twists and turns,
As every one of us sometimes learns,
And many a fellow turns about,
When he might have won had he stuck it out.
Don't give up though the pace seems slow —
You may succeed with another blow.

Success is failure turned inside out —
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt,
And you never can tell how close you are,
It may be near when it seems afar;
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit —
It's when things seem worst that you mustn't quit.

May God's blessing be upon you, your work, and your families. Amen.

The salute to the flag was given by the members.

CHANGING BUILDING AT C AND WEST THIRD STREETS INTO RECREATIONAL AREA.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 17, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Superintendent of Public Buildings relative to your order of September 10, 1951, requesting the changing of the Darius Post building at C street and West Third street, South Boston, into a recreational area.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Buildings Department,
September 13, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Relative to attached City Council order of September 10, 1951, in regards to the Darius Post building at C street and West Third street, South Boston, I wish to inform you that this building is not, and never has been, in the custody of this department.

I understand that the above building was formerly the Drake School and has been purchased by the Darius Post from the School Department.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE P. DONOVAN, Superintendent.

Placed on file.

CATCH BASINS AT EMMET AND EAST THIRD STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 17, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of August 27, 1951, requesting arrangement for the cleaning of the catch basins at the corner of Emmet and East Third streets, Ward 6, and the flushing after cleaning.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 7, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

In response to City Council order of August 27, 1951, requesting the cleaning of catch basins at the corner of Emmet and East Third streets, South Boston, the Sewer Division cleaned seven catch basins in the immediate vicinity on September 6, 1951.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

CATCH BASIN ON NORFOLK STREET, WARD 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 17, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of August 27, 1951, requesting that a catch basin be installed on Norfolk street, between Edson and Whitman streets, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 14, 1951.

From George G. Hyland, Commissioner, Public Works.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

In reference to City Council order of August 27, 1951, requesting that a catch basin be constructed on Norfolk street, between Edson street and Whitman street, Dorchester, we will be pleased to comply with this order after the Board of Street Commissioners has designated its location and ordered same built which it has been requested to do.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

MANHOLE COVERS ON WASHINGTON STREET, WARD 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 17, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of September 10, 1951, requesting that all manholes on Washington street, Ward 17, be made fast, particularly those located between the Codman Square lights and River street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 14, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return order of the City Council passed at its meeting of September 10, as follows:

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make all manholes on Washington street, Ward 17, fast, particularly those located between the Codman Square lights and River street.

An immediate survey will be made concerning the condition of the manhole covers in Washington street, Dorchester, and steps will be taken to correct the condition where covers are found to be loose.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

BENCHES AT CHERRY PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 17, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of August 6, 1951, requesting the repairing of the present benches and installation of two new benches in Cherry Park, Ward 3.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, September 10, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Supplementing my previous letter to you relative to City Council order requesting the installation of benches at Cherry Street Playground, South End, I am pleased to inform you that I am having these benches installed.

The Deputy Commissioner is making arrangements to comply with your request.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

HALL STREET ONE WAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 17, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of September 10, 1951, requesting that Hall street, Jamaica Plain, be made a one-way street, from South street to Call street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
September 14, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of September 12, 1951, requesting that Hall street, Jamaica Plain, be made one way from South street to Call street, I wish to report that observation of this street reveals that there is a coal company located at the Call street end of Hall street, and that making Hall street one way would require the coal trucks that go to and come from the coal yards to run the entire length of Hall street.

This would increase the truck traffic on the street substantially, and it would seem as though it might be a condition objectionable to the residents of the street.

In addition, of course, it would be an inconvenience to the coal company. Furthermore, if Hall street is made one way from South street to Call street, it will be necessary to make Call street one way from Hall street to McBride street, and thus set up a combination of problems.

In view of these circumstances, it is the opinion of our engineers that no action should be taken on this request pending a petition from the residents of Hall street indicating that they are aware that there will be an increase in truck traffic if the proposed one-way route is acted upon favorably by this Commission.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

"SLOW" SIGNS, HOMES AVENUE, AT TOPLIFF STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 17, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of September 10, 1951, requesting the installation of "Slow" signs on both sides of Homes avenue, Ward 15, at the intersection of Topliff street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
September 14, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order of September 10, requesting the installation of "Slow" signs on both sides of Homes avenue, Ward 15, at the intersection of Topliff street, I wish to report that "Slow" signs are being painted in the roadway of Homes avenue approaching Topliff street, as requested.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JOHN F. SULLIVAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 17, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith an order for the naming of the intersection of Monastery road and Washington street, Brighton, John F. Sullivan Square, in honor of Lieut. John F. Sullivan, a veteran of World War II, who was killed in action.

The Committee to Memorialize Veterans, after due consideration, has recommended the naming of this site as set forth in the accompanying order.

I recommend that your Honorable Body give approval to the accompanying order.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
September 13, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

At a meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans held this day, it was voted to designate the following intersection in honor of the following-named veteran:

Monastery road and Washington street, Brighton district—John F. Sullivan Square.

Lieut. John F. Sullivan, U. S. Air Corps, was killed in India, September 25, 1943.

Notice of the above vote has been forwarded to the City Council for appropriate action.

Respectfully submitted,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Monastery road and Washington street, Ward 21, be named John F. Sullivan Square, in honor of John F. Sullivan, late veteran of World War II.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

INCREASED COMPENSATION FOR MEMBERS OF BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 13, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Chapter 665 of the Acts of 1951, having been approved by His Excellency the Governor, can now be acted upon by the Boston city government. This act provides for a salary increase to members of the uniformed forces of the Boston Police Department.

On the basis of comparative salaries paid to policemen in various cities of the United States, and on the basis of the salary paid to officers of the Metropolitan District Commission, it would appear that the increase involved in this legislation is not immoderate.

The cost of this increase for a full year will amount to approximately $820,640. As customary, like increases in salary will be given to the uniformed members of the Boston Fire Department, so that both of these protective departments of our city may continue to enjoy relatively the same salary scale and working conditions. The total cost for this increase to the uniformed members of the Police and Fire Departments will be approximately $1,496,180 annually.

These increases in salary will take effect, as provided in the law, on December 1 of this year. I respectfully request that your Honorable Body give approval to this legislation so that we might meet the conditions of the legislation on the day appointed.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Ordered, That chapter 665 of the Acts of 1951, entitled "An Act Increasing the Compensation of the Members of the Police Department of the City of Boston," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRUCK ROUTES OUT OF SOUTH BOSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 17, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the State Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of August 27, 1951, requesting that plans be made for the construction of proper truck routes out of South Boston; such truck routes to avoid all residential areas and to be constructed before any further work is done, as proposed, on the docks in South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Department of Public Works,
September 10, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mayor Hynes:

I wish to acknowledge your memorandum of September 5, enclosing a City Council order of August 27, in which it is requested that plans be made for the construction of proper truck routes out of South Boston; such truck routes to avoid all residential areas and to be constructed before any further work is done on the docks in South Boston.

This department proposes to continue the construction of the John F. Fitzgerald Expressway and connecting radial routes, substantially in accordance with the Master Highway Plan, when and if funds for the purpose are made available.

However, it does not seem physically possible to construct any major routes in the City of Boston and "avoid all residential areas."

The docks in South Boston do not come under this department. They are controlled by the Port of Boston Authority.

Sincerely yours,
William F. Callahan,
Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz:

Claims.

Jerry Capodilupo, for compensation for damage to property at 11 Irving street, caused by backing up of sewage.

Donald A. Foley, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 150 Milk street, Boston.

Dominic F. Garofalo, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Leroy F. Gorham, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

William H. Hurley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Ann Hynds, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 14 Brentwood street.

Emily S. Kudish, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Walnut and Chestnut streets.

R. Liberatore, Jr., for compensation for loss of false teeth while patient at Boston City Hospital.

Margaret Lydon, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 543 and 545 East Broadway.

William A. Lynch, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Webster J. Mansour, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Mr. and Mrs. Marranzini et al., for compensation for injuries caused by defective condition of premises at 10 Milton street, East Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Carmine Marranzini et al., for compensation for injuries caused by defective condition of premises at 10 Milton street, East Boston.

Lillian McCormack, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Vincent B. McGaffigan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department.

Daniel T. McInness, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Joseph P. Mitchell, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of School Committee.

Constance Mosca and Mrs. Mosca, for compensation for injuries caused by defective condition of premises at 10 Milton street, East Boston.

John M. Perry, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Bridge Division, Public Works Department.

Edith Petersen, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 262 Willow street, West Roxbury.

Robert Shapiro, M. D., for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Commonwealth avenue.

Mrs. Stanley S. Slivkin, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Malden street.

Licenses.

Petitions for licenses to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day:

Alford's Arlington Square Alleys, Leo J. Alford, 392 Tremont street.

Bond Bowling & Billiards, Inc., Edward H. Margolis, 615 Washington street.

Boston Daylight Alleys, Antonio Botta, 107 Cambridge street.

Boylston Bowladrome, Inc., Morris Vigoda, 1260 Boylston street.

Broadway Recreation, Pasquale Rubbicco, 448 West Broadway, South Boston.

Caledonian Bowling Alleys, Michael Palumbo, 1505 Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, West Roxbury.

Central Park Lanes, Angelo Vozzella, 10 Saratoga street, East Boston.

Columbia Recreation, Joseph Rubbicco, 707A Columbia road, Dorchester.

Commonwealth Recreation Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 1105 Commonwealth Avenue.

Eagle Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 2355 Washington street, Roxbury.

Hibernian Bowling Alleys, Mortimer J. Cronin, 184 Dudley street, Roxbury.

Huntington 55 Alleys, Inc., Edward H. Margolis, 253A Huntington avenue.
Hyde Park Bowling Alleys, Harold L. Waterman, 1226 Hyde Park avenue, Hyde Park.
Intercolonial Bowling Alleys, Arthur F. Stuart, 214 Dudley street, Roxbury.
Marie Kittrell, 216 Hanover street.
Mattapan Bowladrome, Samuel Orren, 1348 Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester.
Maverick Garden Bowladrome, Angelo Vozzella, 2 Maverick square, East Boston.
Miah J. Murray, Inc., John F. Ierardi, 1156 Washington street.
Mt. Pleasant Bowling & Billiards, John F. McLaughlin, 590 Dudley street, Roxbury.
North Station Bowling Alleys, Gene DeMarco, 221½ Friend street.
Orient Bowlaway, Henry Baldassaro, 981 Bennington street, East Boston.
Dominick Rubbicco, 4264 Washington street, Roslindale.
South Station Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 669 Atlantic avenue.
Strand Recreation Room, Amos E. Cowan, 716 East Broadway, South Boston.
Talbot Bowladrome, Sumner Ross, 56 Talbot avenue, Dorchester.
Webster Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 26 Taber street, Roxbury.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of James J. Gannon, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved by the Council.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing, to be held in its hearing room on October 8, 1951, at 10 o'clock A.M., on joint petition of the Dedham and Hyde Park Gas Company and the Milford Gas Light Company to sell and convey, and of the Worcester Gas Light Company to purchase, the properties of said Dedham and Milford companies, and of the Worcester Gas Light Company to increase its capital stock.
Placed on file.

NOTICES FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Communication was received from the State Department of Public Works transmitting copy of layout and order of taking on alterations in section of the Boston Central Artery, being on the southwesterly side thereof, at and adjacent to the junction of Haverhill and Causeway streets.
Communication was received from the State Department of Public Works transmitting copy of layout and order of takings on alterations in two sections of the Boston Central Artery, the first location being at the junction of Endicott and Cross streets, and the second at the junction of Cooper street and Washington Street North.
Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:
Reports on appointments by the Mayor (referred September 10), of Richard J. Braese as Weigher of Goods for the term ending April 30, 1952, and of Robert Russell as Constable without authority to serve civil process and to serve without bond, for term ending April 30, 1952, recommending that the appointments be confirmed.
The reports were accepted and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Cantwell and Yerxa. Whole number of votes cast 14, yeas 14, and the appointments were confirmed.

ACCEPTANCE OF PIKE AND PERCH STREETS, WARD 8.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be directed by his Honor the Mayor to accept and reconstruct as public highways Pike street and Perch street, Ward 8.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

PERAMBULATION OF BOUNDARY LINES.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That two members of the City Council, the City Clerk, and the Chief Engineer of the Street Laying-Out Department, or their duly appointed substitutes, be, and hereby are, appointed in behalf of the City Council, to perambulate the boundary lines and to examine the bound marks between Boston and the adjacent cities and towns of Revere, Everett, Somerville, Newton, Brookline, Dedham and Milton; to report descriptions of the same and to cause bound marks to be erected or removed wherever necessary; the expense incurred under authority of this order, if any, to be charged to the City Council Appropriation for Transportation of Persons.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

MONTHLY TAX PAYMENTS TO BANKS.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor instruct the Law Department of the City of Boston to draw up legislation requiring banks to turn over to the City of Boston those tax payments which are advanced on a monthly basis by home owners on mortgages held by the banks.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

FREE MILK FOR CERTAIN SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Mayor's Field Day Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the advisability of allocating the sum of $800 for the express purpose of providing free milk for children who cannot afford it in our public schools.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

SWIMMING POOLS IN FRANKLIN PARK AND FRANKLIN FIELD.

Coun. ANSEL and P. A. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately study the advisability of constructing swimming pools in Franklin Park and in Franklin Field, for the comfort and convenience of the children in the City of Boston.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

EMPLOYEES SERVING ON FEDERAL JURIES.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to take whatever steps necessary to guarantee to all city employees who are called for federal jury service no loss of pay in the performance of this civic duty.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

PLAYGROUND ON WHITFIELD STREET.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to expedite the building of a playground area in the old Hoods' lot on Whitfield street, Dorchester.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARD 19.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install push-button traffic lights at the intersection of Firth road, South street, Washington street, and Lee Hill road, Ward 19, Roslindale.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INCREASED PAY FOR ELECTION WORKERS.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Election Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to grant a three-dollar increase to election workers, because of the additional work required to handle larger ballots containing many more candidates' names and to count such votes as may be cast for these candidates.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor F. P. Tracey the Council voted to take a recess at 2.32 P.M., subject to the call of the chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President HURLEY at 2.42 P.M.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Farin it was voted that when the Council adjourn, it be to meet on Monday, October 1, 1951, at 2 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition of Rose C. Degan (referred July 30) to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her son, Francis J. Degan, late member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of the following order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of Section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of $1,000 be allowed and paid to Rose C. Degan, mother of Francis J. Degan, a member of the Fire Department, who died on November 15, 1942, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

2. Report on petition (referred July 2) for payment of annuity to Frances M. Sheehan, widow of Daniel J. Sheehan, late member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of $1,500 be allowed and paid to Frances M. Sheehan, widow of Daniel J. Sheehan, a member of the Fire Department who died on July 24, 1941, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

3. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred August 27) for sale of the steamer "James M. Curley" by the Institutions Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

4. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred August 27) for transfer of appropriation of $4,000 to the Institutions Department, Contractual Services—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 15, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, F. P. Tracey, and Yerxa—15.

Nays—0.

5. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred September 17) on naming the space at the junction of Monastery road and Washington street, Ward 21, in honor of John F. Sullivan—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

6. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred September 17) for acceptance of chapter 665 of the Acts of 1951, entitled "An Act Increasing the Compensation of the Members of the Police Department of the City of Boston,"—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred September 10), on sale of land on Ward street, Roxbury, to the Boston Housing Authority—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 15, nays 0.

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, F. P. Tracey, Yerxa—15.

Nays—0.

Assigned for 14 days for final action.

INCREASE OF PENSIONS TO FORMER EMPLOYEES.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor grant increases to all retired city employees receiving less than $2,000 per year in the following amounts: Those receiving less than $2,000 and more than $1,800, an increase of $100, but not to exceed $2,000; those receiving between $1,200 and $1,800, an increase of $150, but not to exceed $1,800, those receiving less than $1,200, an increase of $200, but not to exceed $1,200.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF GEORGE A. SPARKS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans name the intersection of Dudley street and Magnolia street in memory of George A. Sparks, who was killed in action on January 25, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PLAYGROUND AREA ON CARSON STREET.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor, direct the Board of Park Commissioners to make a playground out of the nonexistent playground now located in the playground area on Carson street, Ward 13, Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 3.02 P.M., on motion of Councilor Lanigan, to meet on Monday, October 1, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, October 1, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Ansel, Coffey, Cook, Kinsella.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

Coun. FARIN in the chair.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Wenzler presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Forty-seven traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear November 5, 1951:

Joseph J. Campatelli, Ward 1; Carlo Follo, Ward 1; Helen F. Hartigan, Ward 2; Angus T. Smith, Ward 2; Charles E. Campbell, Ward 4; Joseph F. Maggioni, Ward 4; James L. Dinsmore, Ward 4; Lilian E. Kenrick, Ward 5; Samuel Levine, Ward 5; Richard J. Fanning, Ward 6; George A. Leurini, Ward 6; Mildred V. Rockwell, Ward 6; William H. Pitts, Ward 7; Bertram J. Collins, Ward 10; Thomas Gethin, Ward 10; John H. Haggerty, Ward 10; James B. Stenson, Ward 10; Edward J. Gendrolius, Ward 11; Angus E. MacLeod, Ward 11; Sven E. Anderson, Ward 12; Andrew O'Rourke Kennedy, Ward 12; Joseph M. Wheeler, Ward 12.

Erlin Conrad, Ward 13; Chester Kuzia, Ward 13; Arthur Langdon, Ward 13; Joseph E. Shiner, Ward 13; John Benjamin, Ward 14; Harry M. Koss, Ward 14; Ida Kravitz, Ward 14; Edward J. Cummings, Ward 15; Thomas DeLory, Ward 15; Catherine P. Clougherty, Ward 17; William G. McLeman, Ward 17; Thomas F. McMillan, Ward 17; Albert Paturzo, Ward 17; Abraham I. Elfman, Ward 18; Adolph J. Hendorscheid, Ward 18; Fred A. Schnare, Ward 18; John Adams, Ward 20; Edwin W. Connell, Ward 20; Harry Lashus, Ward 20; John A. Macquarrie, Ward 20; Henry D. Povall, Ward 20; Irving W. Connolly, Ward 20; John Emil Berg, Ward 22; Thomas F. Mealey, Ward 22; Albert J. O'Keeffe, Ward 22.

One hundred fifty-six traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear November 5, 1951:

Charles Barranco, Ward 1; William L. Coilty, Ward 1; Leo J. DeBole, Ward 1, Alfred Fariole, Ward 1; Louis Ferrara, Ward 1; Elizabeth Himmel, Ward 1; Gabriel P. Mainiero, Ward 1; Fred Meloni, Ward 1; Timothy J. Rock, Jr., Ward 1; Patsey Serra, Ward 1; Anthony J. Stasio, Ward 1; Francis P. Andrea, Ward 2; Francis J. Ganet, Ward 2; Edith F. DeMinico, Ward 3; Edward F. Gannon, Ward 3; Louis A. Romano, Ward 3; Robert E. Bailey, Ward 4; Leon A. Hershey, Ward 4; Harold C. Hughes, Ward 4; Eugene McMahon, Ward 4; Manuel Medeiros, Ward 4; A. Gordon Ruiter, Ward 4; Lucien J. Tremblay, Ward 4; Elliott M. Andrews, Ward 5; Lewis P. Buckner, Ward 5; Richard F. Cook, Ward 5; John E. Findlen, Ward 5; Richard M. Gorham, Ward 5; Ruth S. Marshall, Ward 5; Allen H. Northover, Ward 5.

Thomas J. Flaherty, Ward 6; William I. Gilpin, Ward 6; Joseph J. Godas, Ward 6; Edward Kaes, Ward 6; Esther Manning, Ward 6; Alexander V. Nihill, Ward 6; James C. Palizzolo, Ward 6; Martin Foley, Ward 7; Edward E. Ford, Ward 7; William J. Mayer, Ward 7; Joseph F. McDermott, Ward 7; Mary L. Riley, Ward 7; Walter P. Walsh, Ward 7; Paul Bellinghieri, Ward 8; Eva E. Breault, Ward 8; Francis C. Dow, Ward 8; Charles E. Low, Ward 8; Jacob W. Masurow, Ward 8; Francis X. Higgins, Ward 9; Lawrence T. Lawlor, Ward 9; Raymond G. Maxwell, Ward 9; Albert V. Monthero, Ward 9; John J. Nunes, Ward 9; Jerome E. Thomas, Ward 9; Gerald E. Donovan, Ward 10; William R. Kennedy, Ward 10; Abraham Lenox, Ward 10; Charles C. Morrison, Ward 10; David Sullivan, Ward 10; Vincent J. Sullivan, Ward 10; Harry Albach, Ward 11; Louis Finburgh, Ward 11; Herbert L. Jackson, Ward 11; Allan A. MacDonald, Ward 11; Woodbury W. Morrison, Ward 11; Richard J. Raftery, Ward 11; Theodore Saltzman, Ward 11; Louis Williams, Ward 11.

Wilfred M. Culleton, Ward 12; Charles E. Henderson, Ward 12; Edward F. Goode, Ward 12; Joseph P. Lyon, Ward 12; Maston A. Nelson, Ward 12; Frans O. Olson, Ward 12; William H. Walsh, Ward 12; Walter D. Wilson, Ward 12; William F. Roberts, Ward 13; Leo M. Smith, Ward 13; Francis L. Trainor, Ward 13; Dominick Zukowski, Ward 13; Esther Cohen, Ward 14; Charles S. Coran, Ward 14; Nathan Garbor, Ward 14; Leo Kaufman, Ward 14; Harry Jones Levin, Ward 14; Robert S. Placente, Ward 14; Florence Sutelman, Ward 14; Saul Woll, Ward 14; George J. Buono, Ward 15; Joseph L. Duffey, Ward 15; Benjamin Green, Ward 15; Edward F. Kelly, Ward 15; Edward J. Barry, Ward 16; William D. Boyd, Ward 16; Henry T. Glora, Ward 16; John R. Hickey, Ward 16; Joseph P. Kelly, Ward 16; Justin L. McCarthy, Ward 16; Robert L. McDonough, Ward 16; Carl B. Patterson, Ward 16.

Harry Briss, Ward 17; Ralph A. Edwards, Ward 17; Samuel H. Garte, Ward 17; James E. Hanrahan, Ward 17; William G. Higgins, Ward 17; Hyman Kaufman, Ward 17; Dalphine E. Legere, Ward 17; Thomas F. McCarthy, Ward 17; W. Russell Masterson, Ward 17; Isadore Miller, Ward 17; John C. O'Keefe, Ward 17; George W. Palmer, Ward 17; James L. Sullivan, Ward 17; Arthur Bloomberg, Ward 18; Eugene G. Brady, Ward 18; Henry C. Burak, Ward 18; Salvatore Ciccio, Ward 18; Joseph J. Conley, Ward 18; Michael Doherty, Ward 18; Edward P. Farrell, Ward 18; Stephen Ferrari, Ward 18; John F. Murphy, Jr., Ward 18; Julius Padduck, Ward 18; Salvatore Pulcini, Ward 18; Frank Soba, Ward 18; Carl Widebeck, Ward 18; Alfred H. Young, Ward 18.

Catherine V. Burke, Ward 19; James E. Cowles, Ward 19; Warren Favor, Ward 19; James P. O'Brien, Ward 19; Harry J. Rapley, Ward 19; Joseph H. Therriault, Ward 19; Calvin R. Conners, Ward 20; James G. Deraney, Ward 20; Thomas J. Finn, Ward 20; Edward G. Flaherty, Ward 20; William H. McGillis, Jr., Ward 20; Peter McWeeney, Ward 20; Harry P. Mantos, Ward 20; Donald E. Nyen, Ward 20; William E. O'Toole, Ward 20; Philip J. Sink, Ward 20; Frank J. VonEuw, Ward 20; William R. Welsh, Ward 20; Stanley M. Berman, Ward 21; James Downie, Ward 21; Bertram Friedland, Ward 21; Joseph Goodman, Ward 21; Lovett A. Hamilton, Jr., Ward 21; Richard P. Murphy, Ward 21; Leo W. Burns, Ward 22; Daniel R. Gray, Ward 22; William Joseph Healy, Ward 22; Patrick E. McKenna, Ward 22; Raymond Mitchell, Ward 22.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constables, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1952: William Thomas Culpin, 54 Edison Green, Dorchester; Michael J. Feehily, 40 Cedar Grove street, Dorchester.

Weighers of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1952: Fritjof O. Torgersen, 10 Wabash street, Mattapan; Peter P. Patalano, 39 Newburg street, Roslindale.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

PEDESTRIAN LIGHT AT BEALE STREET AND DORCHESTER AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 1, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of September 10, 1951, requesting the installation of a flashing pedestrian light at the corner of Beale street and Dorchester avenue on both the Ward 16 and 17 sides.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 25, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of September 10, 1951, requesting the installation of a flashing pedestrian light at Beale street and Dorchester avenue in both Wards 16 and 17, I wish to report that this matter was brought to our attention on May 7, 1951, as a result of a communication from William E. Stewart, of 18 Van Winkle street, Dorchester, to Councilor Farin.

At that time "Slow" signs were painted in the roadway and crosswalks at Beale street and Dorchester avenue.

The desirability of placing a pedestrian light at this location was given consideration by our engineers and was discussed at a meeting of this Commission on May 10.

In addition to the "Slow" signs and crosswalks painted, I am issuing orders to have erected a "Children" sign and permanent "Slow" signs for the benefit of the children who use this intersection.

The problem of locating lights in this area at the most efficient point is a difficult one. We shall endeavor to come to a conclusion in this matter at an early date for the purpose of accomplishing the maximum safety possible.

Respectfully yours,
Wm. Arthur Reilly, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS, WARD 19.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 1, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of September 17, 1951, requesting the installation of push-button traffic lights at the intersection of Firth road, South street, Washington street, and Lee Hill road in Ward 19, Roslindale.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
September 21, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of September 17, 1951, requesting the installation of push-button traffic lights at the intersection of Firth road, South street, Washington street, and Lee Hill road in Ward 19, Roslindale, a survey will be made of this area with this request in mind.

It should be understood, however, that because of present commitments our present appropriation has been assigned to traffic light installations, and that any action upon this or subsequent requests for traffic light installations must come from future appropriations, and that a period of ten months to a year is required for the installation of any traffic signal light after the appropriation has actually been made for the use of the Traffic Commission.

Respectfully yours,
Wm. Arthur Reilly, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PLAYGROUND AREA ON CARSON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 1, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of September 17, 1951, requesting that a playground be made out of the non-existent playground now located in the playground area on Carson street, Ward 13, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, September 21, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting that a playground be constructed out of the playground area now located on Carson street, Dorchester.

This area has been set aside for children up to twelve years of age. We cannot make it into a playground for larger boys and girls or adults.

Immediately across the street from this area we have Columbus Park, one of the largest playgrounds in the city, over fifty acres, and we feel we should have at least one area for the smaller children.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

SWIMMING POOLS IN FRANKLIN PARK AND FRANKLIN FIELD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 1, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of September 17, 1951, requesting the immediate studying of the advisability of constructing a swimming pool in Franklin Park and in Franklin Field for the comfort and convenience of children and citizens in the City of Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, September 20, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting the study of the advisability of the construction of a swimming pool in Franklin Park.

This department already has this matter under consideration, and the engineering staff, under the supervision of the Chief Engineer, upon instructions from me, have been making a survey of this area.

If it is found to be adaptable for a swimming pool, and we can obtain the necessary funds, we may be in a position to proceed with this work.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PLAYGROUND ON WHITFIELD STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 1, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of September 17, 1951, requesting him to expedite the building of a playground area in the old Hoods' lot on Whitfield street, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, September 20, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting that the Park Department arrange for the building of a playground area in the old Hoods' lot on Whitfield street, Dorchester.

We will be glad to take this under consideration.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

SALE OF STEAM BOILERS AT CALF PASTURE PUMPING STATION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 26, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am informed by the Commissioner of Public Works that the use of steam for pumping sewage to Moon Island from the Calf Pasture Pumping Station has been discontinued. Because the plant is now operating on electric power the boilers are no longer needed.

Proposals were asked on the sale of these boilers, and the Heggie Corporation submitted the highest bid.

I forward herewith an order authorizing the sale of these boilers to the highest bidder, viz., the Heggie Corporation, and respectfully request the passage of same by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 20, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

At the Calf Pasture Pumping Station in Dorchester the use of steam for pumping the sewage to the storage basins at Moon Island has been discontinued. The plant is now operating entirely on electric power, and as the boilers are no longer required it has been considered advisable to dispose of them.

Proposals were asked by public advertisement in the City Record, and yesterday, September 19, the following bids were received in this office for removing and disposing of three 350 H.P. boilers and appurtenant equipment:

Heggie Corporation, $5,125; Boston Junk Company, $2,523.23; A. Cohen Company, $2,026; American Building Wrecking Company, $750; Shaughnessy & Ahern Company, $350; Charles A. Reynolds Company, $150.

Before this department can enter into a contract with the high bidder for doing the work called for, the approval of the City Council will be required, since the sale of city-owned property is involved. I respectfully request, therefore, that the authority of the City Council be obtained for the disposal of this property, and I submit an order for transmission to the City Council for appropriate action.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be, and hereby is, authorized to sell to the Heggie Corporation for the sum of $5,125 the three 350 H.P. boilers and appurtenant equipment at the Calf Pasture Pumping Station, Dorchester, in accordance with proposal submitted to the Public Works Department on September 19, 1951.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

EXTENSION OF SEWER AND SURFACE DRAINS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 1, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Transmitted herewith is a self-explanatory communication received by me this day from the Commissioner of Public Works concerning a new agreement pertaining to the extension of a certain sanitary sewer and surface water drain from Prendergast avenue in the Cleveland Circle district of Boston to a point on the Boston-Brookline line near Eliot street, Brookline.

I recommend to your Honorable Body the adoption of the order accompanying that communication.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 28, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

Under date of April 30, 1951, I wrote your Honor advising the extension of a certain sanitary sewer and surface water drain from Prendergast avenue in the Cleveland Circle district of Boston to a point on the Boston-Brookline line near Eliot street, Brookline. By an order passed by the City Council once on April 30, 1951, and again on May 14, 1951, and approved by your Honor on May 15, 1951, the execution of an agreement providing for the construction of the extension by the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline as a cooperative project was authorized. An agreement was subsequently executed pursuant to this authority, and work on the project commenced.

In the course of the construction it has been found that it will be feasible to use the tunnel method of construction, rather than the open-cut method as originally planned, and thereby eliminate much disruption of traffic at Cleveland Circle as well as inconvenience and damage to the abutting landowners affected. The change in method of construction will involve some change in the location of the sewer, the precise nature of which can be readily ascertained by comparing the plan accompanying this letter with the plan transmitted with my above-mentioned letter of April 30, 1951.

I have been advised by the Corporation Counsel that, to keep the record clear for posterity, there should be a new agreement with respect to the project as it is actually to be constructed. I therefore respectfully recommend to your Honor that the enclosed order enabling the rescission of the former agreement and the execution of a new one be transmitted to the City Council for adoption.

Respectfully yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

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Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works, with the approval of his Honor the Mayor, be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to execute and deliver an agreement between the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline providing substantially as follows:

"Whereas, The proper officers of the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline have determined that an extension of a certain existing sanitary sewer and surface water drain from its present termination at or near Prendergast avenue, Boston, to the line between Boston and Brookline near Eliot street, Brookline, substantially as shown on the Town of Brookline plan annexed hereto, entitled 'Plan to Accompany New Agreement Between the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline, Showing Right of Way for Drainage Purposes—Scale: 1 inch = 50 feet—September 17, 1951, Walter A. Devine, Town Engineer,' would be of benefit both to the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline; and

"Whereas, The City of Boston, at its own expense, has acquired, or is about to acquire, the necessary rights and easements in land for such extension, has constructed, or is about to construct, the section of said extension shown on said plan as Section C–D, and will maintain said section;

"Now, Therefore, in consideration of the right herein granted by the City of Boston, the Town of Brookline does hereby covenant, for itself, its successors and assigns, that at its own expense and without cost to the City of Boston, the Town of Brookline will design, construct, and forever maintain, all to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Public Works of the City of Boston or whatever board or officer may for the time being have charge of sanitary sewers and surface water drains of the City of Boston, the sections of said extension shown on said plan as Section B–C and Section D–E—such sections B–C and D–E, upon construction, to become and be the property of the City of Boston; and

"In consideration of the covenant herein made by the Town of Brookline, the City of Boston does hereby grant to the Town of Brookline a perpetual right, to be exercised in common with said City of Boston, to discharge sewage into the aforesaid existing sanitary sewer and all sections of the aforesaid extension thereof, and to discharge surface water into the aforesaid

existing surface water drain and all sections of the aforesaid extension thereof.

"It is hereby mutually agreed that the agreement between the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline, dated May 21, 1951, and approved by the Mayor of Boston on June 11, 1951, concerning the extension of a certain sanitary sewer and surface water drain from a termination at or near Prendergast avenue, Boston, to the line between Boston and Brookline near Eliot street, Brookline, substantially as shown on Town of Brookline plan, entitled 'Plan to Accompany an Agreement Between the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline, Showing Right of Way for Drainage Purposes—Scale: 1 inch=50 feet—April 11, 1951, Walter A. Devine, Town Engineer,' be, and the same hereby is, rescinded, canceled, and annulled, effective as of the time of its execution; that the City of Boston does hereby remise, release, and forever discharge the Town of Brookline from the covenant of said town contained in said agreement; and the Town of Brookline does hereby release and forever quit claim unto the City of Boston the perpetual right granted to the Town of Brookline by said agreement."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

LEASE OF LAND ON BORDER AND SUMNER STREETS TO U. S. GOVERNMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 1, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Transmitted herewith is a self-explanatory communication addressed to your Honorable Body by the Commissioner of Public Works concerning a small parcel of land near the junction of Border and Sumner streets, East Boston. Also enclosed is an order authorizing a lease of the parcel to the United States Government for a term commencing July 1, 1948, and continuing for so long as any part of the wooden building then standing partly on said parcel and partly on an adjoining estate of the United States shall continue to stand upon said parcel and to be owned and occupied by the United States, at a rental of one dollar for the whole of said term. In the interest of full intergovernmental cooperation, I recommend that your Honorable Body adopt the order at an early date.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 28, 1951.

To the Honorable the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Under orders adopted by your Honorable Body on April 28, 1941, and September 23, 1946, respectively, the property in East Boston known as the North Ferry and also that part of Border street running from the southwesterly side line of Sumner street to the North Ferry were leased by the City of Boston to the United States Government for naval purposes for terms, respectively, beginning July 1, 1941, and ending June 30, 1946, and beginning July 1, 1946, and ending June 30, 1947, with an option of renewal annually thereafter to June 30, 1951. The renewal option in the second lease was exercised only once, so that that lease expired June 30, 1948.

The government used the leased premises in conjunction with its own land adjoining the leased premises on the southeast. Shortly after the second lease expired, it was discovered that a large wooden building erected by the government on its own land during one of the leasehold periods encroached upon the property owned by the city. Since that time negotiations have been in progress to prevent the government's acquiring title to the occupied portion of the city land by adverse possession.

The government, acting through its General Services Administration, has finally offered to lease from the city for a term commencing July 1 1948, and continuing for so long as any part of the wooden building then standing partly upon the leased premises and partly upon the adjoining estate of the government shall continue to stand upon the leased premises and to be owned and occupied by the government, at a rental of one dollar for the entire term, the rectangular parcel of land shown on the plan transmitted herewith and containing about 430 square feet.

I hereby notify your Honorable Body that in my opinion the above-described land, to the extent of the leasehold estate requested, is no longer required for public purposes.

Respectfully yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be, and he hereby is, authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to lease the hereinafter-described land to the United States of America, by an instrument in form satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel, for a term commencing July 1, 1948, and continuing for so long as any part of the wooden building then standing partly upon said land and partly upon the adjoining estate of the United States of America shall continue to stand upon said land and to be owned and occupied by the United States of America, at a minimum rental of one dollar for the entire term, said land being the parcel of land in the East Boston district of Boston, Mass., bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the boundary line between an estate of the City of Boston and an estate of the United States of America, which point is two hundred twenty-two and 28/100 (222.28) feet distant southwesterly from the southwesterly side of Sumner street; thence running southwesterly along said boundary line forty-three (43) feet to a point; thence turning at a right angle and running northwesterly ten (10) feet to a point; thence turning at a right angle and running northeasterly forty-three (43) feet to a point; thence turning at a right angle and running southeasterly ten (10) feet to the point of beginning; containing about four hundred and thirty (430) square feet, and being the rectangular parcel of land shown on the plan marked "City of Boston, Sumner Street, East Boston, February 25, 1949, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

RETIREMENT OF CERTAIN TRAFFIC TUNNEL BONDS.

The following were received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 1, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

On March 1, 1932, the City of Boston issued under St. 1929, c. 297, in connection with the construction of the Sumner Traffic Tunnel, bonds aggregating $1,500,000 and bearing interest at the rate of 4½ per cent per annum. These bonds were fifty year bonds; but, fortunately, they contain an express provision for call, retirement, and cancellation by the city on March 1, 1952. There are now funds in the hands of the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds sufficient for the retirement and cancellation of these bonds on March 1, 1952. Transmitted herewith is an order calling these bonds for such retirement and cancellation. I recommend its immediate adoption.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

Whereas, Under date of March 1, 1932, the City of Boston issued, under St. 1929, c. 297, Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, in the aggregate principal amount of $1,500,000, bearing interest at the rate of 4½ per cent per annum, payable semiannually on September 1 and March 1 of each year, which bonds are due March 1, 1982, with an express provision for call, retirement, and cancellation by the city on any interest date after twenty years from the date of issue; and

Whereas, St. 1945, c. 361, s. 3, provides that if Traffic Tunnel Retirement Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1945, are issued under said chapter 361, the city shall call, retire, and cancel, at the earliest date permitted, Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, in accordance with their terms; and

Whereas, Traffic Tunnel Retirement Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1945, were issued under said chapter 361; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the aforesaid issue of 4½ per cent Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, dated March 1, 1932, and due March 1, 1982, be, and hereby is, called for retirement and cancellation on March 1, 1952; and it is hereby further

Ordered, That the City Treasurer of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to give notice of said call during the month of January, 1952, by causing a notice of call to be printed once in each of three successive weeks in (1) two financial publications of national circulation, (2) a newspaper of general circulation published in Chicago, Illinois, (3) a newspaper of general circulation published in Detroit, Michigan, (4) a newspaper of general circulation published in New York, New York, and (5) at least one newspaper of general circulation published in Boston, Mass., and by such other and further means, if any, as said Treasurer may deem appropriate; and it is hereby further

Ordered, That the aforesaid notice of call shall be in substantially the following form:

City of Boston
in the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Notice of Call of Bonds for
Retirement and Cancellation.

To Holders of 4½ Per Cent Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, Dated March 1, 1932, and Others Concerned.

Notice is hereby given that all outstanding 4½ per cent Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, dated March 1, 1932, and due March 1, 1982, have been called for retirement and cancellation on March 1, 1952, on which date interest on such bonds will cease.

Payment of the face amount of each of said bonds, with any accumulated unpaid interest to March 1, 1952, will be made by the City of Boston on and after March 1, 1952, upon surrender of the bond (with, in the case of a coupon bond, the September 1, 1952, and subsequent coupons and the coupons for any accumulated unpaid interest) at the office of the City Treasurer, City Hall, Boston, Mass. Coupons maturing on or before March 1, 1952, may, at the option of the holder, be detached and collected in the usual manner.

City Treasurer of the
City of Boston.

January , 1952.

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City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 1, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

On March 1, 1932, the City of Boston issued under St. 1929, c. 297, in connection with the construction of the Sumner Traffic Tunnel, bonds aggregating $2,000,000 and bearing interest at the rate of 4¾ per cent per annum. These bonds were fifty-year bonds; but, fortunately, they contain an express provision for call, retirement, and cancellation by the city on March 1, 1952. There are now funds in the hands of the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds sufficient for the retirement and cancellation of these bonds on March 1, 1952. Transmitted herewith is an order calling these bonds for such retirement and cancellation. I recommend its immediate adoption.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Whereas, Under date of March 1, 1932, the City of Boston issued, under St. 1929, c. 297, Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, in the aggregate principal amount of $2,000,000, bearing interest at the rate of 4¾ per cent per annum, payable semiannually on September 1 and March 1 of each year, which bonds are due March 1, 1982, with an express, provision for call, retirement, and cancellation by the city on any interest date after twenty years from the date of issue; and

Whereas, St. 1945, c. 361, s. 3, provides that if Traffic Tunnel Retirement Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1945, are issued under said chapter 361, the city shall call, retire, and cancel, at the earliest date permitted, Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, in accordance with their terms; and

Whereas, Traffic Tunnel Retirement Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1945, were issued under said chapter 361; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the aforesaid issue of 4¾ per cent Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, dated March 1, 1932, and due March 1, 1982, be, and hereby is, called for retirement and cancellation on March 1, 1952; and it is hereby further

Ordered, That the City Treasurer of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to give notice of said call during the month of January, 1952, by causing a notice of call to be printed once in each of three successive weeks in (1) two financial publications of national circulation, (2) a newspaper of general circulation published in Chicago, Illinois, (3) a newspaper of general circulation published in Detroit, Michigan, (4) a newspaper of general circulation published in New York, New York, and (5) at least one newspaper of general circulation published in Boston, Mass., and by such other and further means, if any, as said Treasurer may deem appropriate; and it is hereby further

Ordered, That the aforesaid notice of call shall be in substantially the following form:

City of Boston
in the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Notice of Call of Bonds for
Retirement and Cancellation.

To Holders of 4¾ Per Cent Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, Dated March 1, 1932, and Others Concerned.

Notice is hereby given that all outstanding 4¾ per cent Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, dated March 1, 1932, and due March 1, 1982, have been called for retirement and cancellation on March 1, 1952, on which date interest on such bonds will cease.

Payment of the face amount of each of said bonds, with any accumulated unpaid interest to March 1, 1952, will be made by the City of Boston on and after March 1, 1952, upon surrender of the bond (with, in the case of a coupon bond, the September 1, 1952, and subsequent coupons and the coupons for any accumulated unpaid interest) at the office of the City Treasurer, City Hall, Boston, Mass. Coupons maturing on or before March 1, 1952, may, at the option of the holder, be detached and collected in the usual manner.

City Treasurer of the
City of Boston.

January , 1952.

Severally referred to Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Joseph Bossman, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Boston Record-American-Advertiser Division of Hearst Corporation, for compensation for damage to property at 5 Winthrop square, caused by break in water pipe.

John L. Campbell, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Austin L. Cannon, for compensation for damage to car by an alleged defect in Dorchester avenue.

Stephen Connolly, for compensation for loss of valuables at L street bathhouse.

Mrs. Ernest Curelli, for compensation for damage to clothing at 58 Chelmsford street, Dorchester, caused by rusty water.

Frederico DelPrato, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect on ferryboat.

Thomas P. Devin, for compensation for loss of false teeth while patient at City Hospital.

Arthur Diamond, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at Haverhill and Beverly streets.

Carradino F. Dizio, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Helen Donovan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Adams and Forest streets, Roxbury.

John L. J. Flynn, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Thomas F. Forrester, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Washington street.

Fred Grundy, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Ezekiel Hall, for compensation for damage to property at 41 Ottawa street, Roxbury, caused by falling limb of tree.

Mary A. Harrington, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 645 Beacon street.

Fred I. Jewett, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 50 Union street, Boston.

Mary Krichevsky, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 234 Woodrow avenue, Dorchester.

Eleanor Lappin, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Philip Lerner, D.M.D., for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Thomas F. Lividoti, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of School Committee.

William T. Logue, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

William J. McNamara, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Leo MacNaughton, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in St. Paul street.

James E. McNeil, for compensation for damage to property at 4 Sparhawk street, caused by city truck.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Malloy, for compensation for damage to car and injuries caused by police cruising car.

Herbert V. Melville, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Commonwealth avenue.

Frances G. Morrissey, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 417–429 Washington street.

Laurence J. O'Neill, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Ellis Pelley, for compensation for damages sustained as result of taking by city of part of Lot D on Vincent road, West Roxbury.

Francis C. Ramisch, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of School Committee.

Ernest D. Rejo, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 91 Montmorenci avenue.

Manuel F. Rodriguez, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Traffic Division.

Irene Shumway, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Keswick street.

C. B. Swift Company, for compensation for damage to property at 132 Newbury street, caused by broken water main.

Executive.

Petition of Elizabeth O. McDonald to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, Henry F. McDonald, late member of the Fire Department.

Petition of John P. Gilmore, employed in House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, for retirement under provisions of section 57 of chapter 32 of General Laws as amended.

Committee on Licenses.

Petitions to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day:

Blue Hill Bowlaway, by Samuel Epstein, 6 Livingstone street, Dorchester, Ward 12.

Crawford Bowling Alleys, by Victor N. Mochie, 15 Hanover street, Ward 3.

Egleston Bowlaway, by Arthur Iorio, 3186 Washington street, Jamaica Plain, Ward 11.

Fenway Alleys, Inc., by Albert T. Slate, 136 Massachusetts avenue, Ward 4.

German Workingmen's Association, by Joseph R. Burkart, secretary, 22 Amory avenue, Roxbury, Ward 11.

Hyde Square Bowlaway, by Angelo Iorio, 403 Centre street, Jamaica Plain, Ward 19.

Irish Centre Club, by Peter Graham, 194 Heath street, Jamaica Plain, Ward 10.

Jamaica Bowlaway, by Arthur Iorio, 702A Centre street, Jamaica Plain, Ward 19.

Margaret M. Johns, 1453 Dorchester avenue, Ward 15.

Kenmore Recreation, Inc., by Tobias Wolbarst, 82 Lansdowne street, Ward 5.

Lee S. King, 464–468 Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, Ward 14.

King Pin Alleys, by Amos E. Cowan, 200 Huntington avenue, Ward 4.

Alvaro Mezzetti, basement, South Station, Atlantic avenue, Ward 3.

New Allston Alleys, by John E. Hayes, 137 Brighton avenue, Allston, Ward 21.

West Roxbury Liederkranz, by Lee M. Jekowski, 46 Rockland street, West Roxbury, Ward 20.

NOTICE OF HEARINGS BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notices were received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearings to be held as follows:

Hearing on October 8, 1951, at 2.15 P.M. on petition of Western Union Telegraph Company for authority to increase rates and charges.

Continued hearing on October 2, 1951, at 10 A.M. on petition of Boston & Maine Railroad for permission to file schedules on less than statutory notice providing for increase of 66 2-3 per cent on certain tickets.

Severally placed on file.

STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notices were received from the Department of Public Utilities of granting of following orders:

Order approving petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for proposed modifications and changes in elevated structure at Forest Hills station.

Order granting certain rates and charges and curtailment of service by the Dedham-Needham Transit Lines, Inc.

Severally placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE PORT OF BOSTON AUTHORITY.

Notice was received from the Port of Boston Authority of hearing to be held on September 27 at 10.30 A.M. on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to dump snow and ice into Mystic River and Chelsea Creek.

Placed on file.

NOTICE FROM METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION.

Notice was received from the Metropolitan District Commission of taking of land in West Roxbury for Forest Hills overpass and traffic interchange.

Placed on file.

REASSIGNMENT OF JUDGES.

Notices were received from the Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court of reassignment of Fredcrick J. Dillon of Boston to service on the Administrative Committee of the Probate Courts, and the redesignation of John C. Leggat of Lowell as chairman of the Administrative Committee.

Placed on file.

ELECTION OF MARGARET A. LEARSON.

Notice was received from the Boston Retirement Board of re-election of Margaret A. Learson as a member of the Boston Retirement Board, for the term of three years ending September 30, 1954.

Placed on file.

SALE OF LAND ON WARD STREET, ROXBURY.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY called up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for sale of land on Ward street, Roxbury, to the Boston Housing Authority for $28,000.

On September 17, 1951, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 15, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Banks, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.
Nays—0.

IDENTIFICATION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor set up a Department of Identification under the jurisdiction of the Fire Department Auxiliary of Civilian Defense so that steps may be taken to properly identify school children and others by means of fingerprinting.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JOHN THOMAS McCABE.

Coun. McCOLGAN, FARIN, HANNON, and HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of Dudley street and Columbia road, Ward 7, in honor of Pfc. John Thomas McCabe, Company G, 318th Infantry Regiment, 80th Division, who was killed in Germany on February 7, 1945.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

EXPEDITING RECOUNT OF CITY COUNCIL NOMINEES.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Election Commission be instructed, through his Honor the Mayor, to employ additional clerks for the purpose of expediting the recount for City Council nominees.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

EQUIPMENT FOR CARSON STREET PLAY AREA.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Park Commissioner to set up the missing swings and means of recreation which are now missing from the children's play area on Carson street, Dorchester.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

President HURLEY in the chair.

COMMITTEES TO PERAMBULATE BOUNDARIES.

President HURLEY appointed Councilors McColgan and Shanley as the two members of the Council to perambulate the boundary lines under the order passed by the City Council on September 17, 1951.

CHANGE WORDING ON BALLOTS.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to contact the Chairman of the Election Commission and ask him to study the feasibility of changing the wording on the ballots, to read to vote for not more than the specific number rather than to read to vote for the specific amount.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

Coun. FARIN in the chair.

EMERGENCY LIGHTS IN CERTAIN SCHOOLS.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have emergency lights installed in the schools where civic organizations meet, throughout the city.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

INCREASE IN PENSIONS FOR CERTAIN FORMER EMPLOYEES.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That chapter 820 of the Acts of 1950, entitled "An Act Providing for an Increase in the Annual Amounts of Certain Pensions, Retirement Allowances, Annuities and Other Benefits Payable by the Commonwealth and Its Political Subdivisions to Certain Former Employees and Persons Claiming Under Them," be, and hereby is, accepted.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

SIDEWALKS ON EAST THIRD AND I STREETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the present brick sidewalks with granolithic sidewalks on East Third street, from Dorchester street to I street, and on I street, between First street and Broadway on the westerly side.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPLACING OF GAS LAMPS ON WEST THIRD STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the gas lamps on West Third street, between D and C streets and replace them with modern lights.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ARC LIGHTS ON CERTAIN STREETS, WARD 7.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric arc lights on Hardy and Quincefield streets in Ward 7.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Hannon the Council voted at 2.55 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order at 3.15 P.M. by Councilor Farin.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:
1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) authorizing City Treasurer to call for retirement and cancellation of issue of Traffic Tunnel Bonds, 4½ per cent, dated March 1, 1932, and due March 1, 1982—that same ought to pass.
2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) authorizing City Treasurer to call for retirement and cancellation of issue of Traffic Tunnel Retirement Bonds, 4¾ per cent, dated March 1, 1932, due March 1, 1982—that same ought to pass.
The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed, yeas 16, nays 0:
Yeas—Councilors Banks, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler—16.
Nays—0.
3. Report on petition (referred today) of John P. Gilmore, employed in House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, for retirement under provisions of section 57 of chapter 32 of General Laws as amended—recommending passage of the following order, viz.:
Whereas, John P. Gilmore, employed in the service of the County of Suffolk as chief clerk in the House of Correction, Penal Institutions De-

partment, has made application to be retired under the provisions of section 57 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended; and

Whereas, The said John P. Gilmore has submitted to the City Council satisfactory evidence that he is a veteran as defined in section 56 of chapter 32 of the General Laws; that he has been certified for retirement for disability by the duly authorized medical board; that he has been in the service of the county at least ten years; that he is incapacitated for active service; and that his total income from all sources, exclusive of his retirement allowance and of any sum received from the government of the United States as a pension for war service, does not exceed one thousand dollars; and

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 57 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended, John P. Gilmore, employed in the service of the County of Suffolk as chief clerk in the House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, be, and hereby is, retired by the Mayor and City Council, acting as county commissioners, at an annual pension of $3,094, being 65 per cent of his highest regular rate of compensation.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

4. Report on order (referred today) that the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested to recommend naming of square at intersection of Dudley street and Columbia road, Ward 7, in honor of Pfc. John Thomas McCabe—that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; said order passed.

Adjourned at 3.20 P.M., on motion of Councilor Yerxa, to meet on Monday, October 8, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, October 8, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Beades, Cook, P. A. Tracy, and Yerxa.

The Reverend John F. Carvlin, of the Catholic Information Center, 5 Park street, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. JOHN F. CARVLIN.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. We thank You, O God, for Your paternal protection You have so generously tendered to this governing body during the year. Your blessing has been on this house. You have been a daily guest, the honored guest at each session. You have been an interested witness to our words and our work. We thank You for the blessing of security and precious freedom given to us. We thank You for the spirit of unity and fraternity that exists in this assembly. You have helped us solve our disputes and differences in a reasonable and orderly fashion. Your spirit of justice has guided us in our decisions and in our discussions. While we regret any ill and hasty-tempered words, we realize our dependence on You, and our need for You is great.

For all these many blessings we are deeply grateful. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Weighers of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1952: Patrick Flaherty, 7 Spaulding street, Dorchester; Roe Augusta, 69 Montvale street, Roslindale; Thomas Flaherty, 355 Ashmont street, Dorchester; Arthur Dillon, 55 River street, Mattapan; Walter Murphy, 21 Edison Green, Dorchester; John Regan, 117 Monroe street, North Abington; Michael Berry, 123 L street, South Boston.

Weighers of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1952: Marilyn Wilensky, 80 Goodale road, Mattapan; Peter Villani, 52 Woodlawn avenue, Chelsea.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

REPAIR OF CERTAIN STREETS, SOUTH BOSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of September 10, 1951, requesting the Board of Street Commissioners to repair Bowen street, South Boston, from E street to F street, where there are several holes in the street; to repair the brick sidewalks from 70–76 B street and 142–148 West Fourth street; to replace the concrete blocks at 606 East Sixth street that are five or six inches above the level of the adjoining blocks.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 2, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that "the Board of Street Commissioners be requested to repair Bowen street, South Boston, from E street to F street, where there are several holes in the street; to repair the brick sidewalks from 70–76 B street and 142–148 West Fourth street; to replace the concrete blocks at 606 East Sixth street that are five or six inches above the level of the adjoining blocks."

The local paving service foreman reports that the necessary repairs have been completed in the above-named streets with the exception of 606 East Sixth street, which, in his opinion, does not require any repairs at this time.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

SIDEWALKS ON EAST THIRD AND I STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of October 1, 1951, requesting the replacement of the present brick sidewalks with granolithic sidewalks on East Third street, from Dorchester street to I street, and on I street, between East First street and Broadway, on the westerly side.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 4, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that "the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the present brick sidewalks with granolithic sidewalks on East Third street, from Dorchester street to I street and on I street, between East First street and Broadway, on the westerly side," and this will advise you that East Third street is now on the list to be given consideration for the performance of the work requested.

Relative to I street, I regret to advise you that, due to the amount of work on hand at this time, and the lateness of the season, this street will be placed on the list of sidewalk work to be given consideration during 1952.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ABANDONMENT OF EASEMENTS FOR SEWERAGE PURPOSES, HYDE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 8, 1951.

To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from George G. Hyland, Commissioner of Public Works, relative to the abandonment of certain easements for sewerage purposes in private lands in the Hyde Park district of the City of Boston, together with a proposed order for adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 8, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston,
and
City Council of the City of Boston.
Gentlemen:

By an order of the Board of Street Commissioners dated March 12, 1941, and approved by the Mayor of the City of Boston on March 14, 1941, the City of Boston took by eminent domain for sewerage purposes easements in Edwards street, Ayles road, Westminster street, Denby road, Rosa street, Safford street, Bradlee street, and in certain private

lands lying between Reddy avenue and Rosa street, Hyde Park district.

No construction has been undertaken pursuant to this taking, and since the City of Boston has no present plans for the construction of sewerage works in Rosa street or in the private lands lying between Rosa street and Reddy avenue, and since no damages were awarded to the landowners, I recommend that the easement taken in Rosa street and in said private lands be abandoned.

Respectfully,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Whereas, By an order of the Board of Street Commissioners dated March 12, 1941, and approved by the Mayor of the City of Boston March 14, 1941, the City of Boston acquired by eminent domain an easement for sewerage purposes in certain private lands in the Hyde Park district of the City of Boston and shown on a plan hereinafter referred to; and

Whereas, No sewerage facilities have been constructed within the limits of the taking hereinbefore mentioned; and

Whereas, The Commissioner of Public Works of the City of Boston has notified his Honor the Mayor and the City Council in writing that certain portions of the aforesaid taking are no longer required for public purposes; and

Whereas, No awards for damages were awarded as a result of the aforesaid taking for sewerage purposes; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized, in the name and behalf of the City of Boston, to execute and cause to be recorded in the Suffolk Registry of Deeds a declaration that the easement for sewerage purposes in the following-described parcels of land, being a portion of the aforesaid taking acquired by the order of the Board of Street Commissioners dated March 12, 1941, and approved by the Mayor of the City of Boston March 14, 1941, be abandoned.

Said parcels are bounded and described as follows:

Parcel 1.—A certain parcel of land situated on the southwesterly side of Reddy avenue, bounded northeasterly by Reddy avenue, twelve (12) feet; southeasterly by Lot 167 and Lot 206, on a plan hereinafter mentioned, two hundred (200) feet; southwesterly by Rosa street, twelve (12) feet; northwesterly by Lot 166 and Lot 207 on said plan, two hundred (200) feet; containing twenty-four hundred (2,400) square feet of land, more or less.

Parcel 2.—About twelve thousand six hundred eighty-nine (12,689) square feet of land located within the limits of Rosa street, bounded northeasterly by the northeasterly line of Rosa street, three hundred twenty-seven and 62/100 (327.62) feet; southeasterly by Rosa street, forty (40) feet; southwesterly by the southwesterly line of Rosa street, three hundred nineteen and 27/100 (319.27) feet; northwesterly by the northwesterly line of Rosa street, thirty-three and 42/100 (33.42) feet.

The above-described parcels of land are shown in red on a plan marked "City of Boston, Plan No. 1254, Sewerage Works, Edwards Street, Ayles Road, Westminster Street, Denby Road, Rosa Street, Safford Street, Bradlee Street, Hyde Park, February 3, 1941, William J. Sullivan, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department."

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 8, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed requests for transfers of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are recommended for adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Reserve Fund, $59,000, to the appropriation for Public Celebrations, $38,000, Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests, $21,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Special Appropriation, Reserve Fund, $4,800, to the appropriation for City Council, Personal Services, $4,800.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee named, viz.:

Claims.

Ida Armour, for compensation for damage to property at 94 West Newton street, caused by break in water pipe.

Marino Azzola, for compensation for damage to car caused by City Hospital ambulance.

Eugene P. Canney, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Peter F. D'Amico, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Charles W. Fagan, for approval of claim for maximum salary as Grade IV engineer in Sewer Division.

William P. Flanagan, for compensation for damage to property at 598 East Eighth street, caused by falling limb of tree.

James Frawley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Walter Gallagher, for compensation for injuries caused by negligence of certain employees at housing project, Harvard street, and Blue Hill avenue.

House of Tweed, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 130 Newbury street, caused by break in water main.

Barbara Kennedy, for compensation for injuries caused by employee of Park Department.

Charles H. Lewis, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Archibald A. MacInnes, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Margaret E. McDermott, for compensation for accident which occurred on Washington street, Roslindale.

Merchants Distributors, Inc., to be reimbursed for rebuilding of portion of sidewalk on Boylston street.

Alexander N. Morrison, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Helen J. Shea, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Commonwealth avenue.

William H. Smith, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Pilgrim road near Francis street.

Theresa Tripodi, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 5 and 7 Meridian street.

Mary Washington Rebekah Lodge No. 1, I. O. O. F., for compensation for damage to property at 581 Boylston street, caused by break in water main.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

A communication was received from the State Housing Board transmitting certificate of resolution by State Housing Board approving expenditure by Housing Authority in amount of $1,500 for appraisal fees for site on Morton street and Lennoco road, Chapter 372 Project.

Placed on file.

CONGRATULATIONS TO CHINESE MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston, in meeting assembled, hereby extends its hearty

congratulations to the Chinese Merchants Association on the construction of their new building, which adds to the beauty and culture of our beloved city.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

REPLACING GAS LAMPS ON CLIFTON STREET.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the gas lamps on Clifton street, Ward 8, with electric arc lights.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF WILLIAM WICKLIFF COOK, JR.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend the naming of the square at the intersection of Batchelder and Clifton streets, Ward 8, in honor of William Wickliff Cook, Jr., who lost his life at sea in the service of his country December 16, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

"STOP" SIGNS AT CERTAIN INTERSECTIONS, WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to contact the Traffic Commissioner and have him place "Stop" signs at the corner of Greenbrier and Park streets, and Alpha road and Park street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

STATEMENT BY COUNCILOR COFFEY.

On a question of personal privilege Councilor Coffey made a statement relative to certain newspaper articles.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred October 1) of William Thomas Culpin and Michael J. Feehily as constables with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term expiring April 30, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred October 1) of Peter Paul Patalano and Fritjof O. Torgersen as Weighers of Coal for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors McCormack and Shanley. Whole number of ballots 13, yeas 13, and the appointments were confirmed.

PRELIMINARY ELECTION RECOUNT OF BALLOTS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Election Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately study the advisability of stopping the recount on Wednesday, October 10, which is Yom Kippur, the most sacred religious holiday in the Jewish Calendar, the recount to be resumed on Thursday, October 11; and be it further

Ordered, That the employees in the Election Department be paid time and one-half for their work on Saturday.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CLEANING OF STREETS IN WARDS 12 AND 14.

Coun. ANSEL and COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put clean-up crews through the streets of Wards 12 and 14 so that the district will be clean for the Jewish high holidays.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JULIAN YORKS.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Wilson street and Norfolk street, Dorchester, in honor of Pfc. Julian Yorks, who lost his life while in the service of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PAYMENT OF NURSES WORKING OVERTIME.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital and the Mattapan Sanatorium to pay time and one-half to all nurses working over 40 hours within a seven-day week.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CONFERENCE RE HOSPITAL IDENTIFICATION MEAL TICKETS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the City Hospital Trustees to hold a conference with the Hospital Committee of the City Council relative to handing out identification meal tickets from week to week during the course of the 52-week period, and that all tickets purchased by hospital employees be refunded to said employees.

Referred to the Committee on Hospitals.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred October 1) authorizing agreement between City of Boston and Town of Brookline on extension of sewer and surface drains—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—15.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred October 1) that the Mayor be authorized to lease to United States of America land on Border and Sumner streets, East Boston—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 16, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—16.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

STREET LIGHTS ON P STREET, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the

Mayor, to place in proper condition all street lights on P street, from East First street to Broadway, Ward 6, as this is a very dark and dangerous section at night.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SIDEWALK AT 387 WEST FOURTH STREET, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to restore the sidewalk in front of 387 West Fourth street, Ward 6, which has been left in a dangerous condition as the result of the removal of a tree.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RAILROAD FENCE ON WEST BROADWAY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to contact the proper officials of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad and request that the chain-link fence on their property on West Broadway, near B street, South Boston, be made safe, so that children cannot climb it, or replace same with a wooden fence.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF RUSSELWOOD ROAD, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept, lay out, and construct Russelwood road, Ward 20, as a public highway.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRIMMING OF TREES ON WELD STREET, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to cut the low branches on all trees on Weld street, between Church street and Greaton road, Ward 20.

Referred to Committee on Parks and Playgrounds.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

1. Report on petitions (referred September 17) to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day,—recommending that licenses be granted:

Alford's Arlington Square Alleys, Leo J. Alford, 392 Tremont street.

Bond Bowling & Billiards, Inc., Edward H. Margolis, 615 Washington street.

Boston Daylight Alleys, Antonio Botta, 107 Cambridge street.

Boylston Bowladrome, Inc., Morris Vigoda, 1260 Boylston street.

Broadway Recreation, Pasquale Rubbieco, 448 West Broadway, South Boston.

Caledonian Bowling Alleys, Michael Palumbo, 1505 Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, West Roxbury.

Central Park Lanes, Angelo Vozzella, 10 Saratoga street, East Boston.

Columbia Recreation, Joseph Rubbieco, 707A Columbia road, Dorchester.

Commonwealth Recreation Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 1105 Commonwealth avenue.

Eagle Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 2355 Washington street, Roxbury.

Hibernian Bowling Alleys, Mortimer J. Cronin, 184 Dudley street, Roxbury.

Huntington 55 Alleys, Inc., Edward H. Margolis, 253A Huntington avenue.

Hyde Park Bowling Alleys, Harold L. Waterman, 1226 Hyde Park avenue, Hyde Park.

Intercolonial Bowling Alleys, Arthur F. Stuart, 214 Dudley street, Roxbury.

Marie Kittrell, 216 Hanover street.

Mattapan Bowladrome, Samuel Orren, 1348 Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester.

Maverick Garden Bowladrome, Angelo Vozzella, 2 Maverick square, East Boston.

Miah J. Murray, Inc., John F. Ierardi, 1156 Washington street.

Mt. Pleasant Bowling & Billiards, John F. McLaughlin, 590 Dudley street, Roxbury.

North Station Bowling Alleys, Gene DeMarco, 221½ Friend street.

Orient Bowlaway, Henry Baldassaro, 981 Bennington street, East Boston.

Dominick Rubbieco, 4264 Washington street, Roslindale.

South Station Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 669 Atlantic avenue.

Strand Recreation Room, Amos E. Cowan, 716 East Broadway, South Boston.

Talbot Bowladrome, Sumner Ross, 56 Talbot avenue, Dorchester.

Webster Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 26 Taber street, Roxbury.

2. Report on petitions (referred October 1) to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day—recommending that licenses be granted:

Blue Hill Bowlaway, by Samuel Epstein, 6 Livingstone street, Dorchester, Ward 12.

Crawford Bowling Alleys, by Victor N. Mochie, 15 Hanover street, Ward 3.

Egleston Bowlaway, by Arthur Iorio, 3186 Washington street, Jamaica Plain, Ward 11.

Fenway Alleys, Inc., by Albert T. Slate, 136 Massachusetts avenue, Ward 4.

German Workingmen's Association, by Joseph R. Burkart, secretary, 22 Amory avenue, Roxbury, Ward 11.

Hyde Square Bowlaway, by Angelo Iorio, 403 Centre street, Jamaica Plain, Ward 19.

Irish Centre Club, by Peter Graham, 194 Heath street, Jamaica Plain, Ward 10.

Jamaica Bowlaway, by Arthur Iorio, 702A Centre street, Jamaica Plain, Ward 19.

Margaret M. Johns, 1453 Dorchester avenue, Ward 15.

Kenmore Recreation, Inc., by Tobias Wolbarst, 82 Lansdowne street, Ward 5.

Lee S. King, 464–468 Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester, Ward 14.

King Pin Alleys, by Amos E. Cowan, 200 Huntington avenue, Ward 4.

Alvaro Mezzetti, Basement, South Station, Atlantic avenue, Ward 3.

New Allston Alleys, by John E. Hayes, 137 Brighton avenue, Allston, Ward 21.

West Roxbury Liederkranz, by Lee M. Jekowski, 46 Rockland street, West Roxbury, Ward 20.

The reports were accepted, and the licenses were severally granted under usual conditions.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Chase the Council voted to take a recess at 2.52 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order at 3.17 P.M. by President HURLEY.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition of Sarah J. Duffy (referred May 28) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Patrick S. Duffy, late member of the Police Department — recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of $1,500 be allowed and paid to Sarah J. Duffy, widow of Patrick S. Duffy, a member of the Police Department who died on March 30, 1951, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Report accepted; said order passed.

2. Report on petition of Emma L. Carter (referred April 2) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Henry A. Carter, late

member of the Police Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of $1,500 be allowed and paid to Emma L. Carter, widow of Henry A. Carter, a member of the Police Department who died on February 23, 1951, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the annuity to become effective upon date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Report accepted; said order passed.

3. Report on petition of Mary L. Golden (referred August 27) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Edward F. Golden, late employee of the School Committee—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of $1,812 be allowed and paid to Mary L. Golden, widow of Edward F. Golden, an employee of the School Committee who died on February 26, 1951, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty, said annuity being made up of allowances as follows:

For the widow, Mary L. Golden, so long as she remains unmarried, $1,500 per annum.

For the following-named child during such time as he is under the age of eighteen, or over said age and physically or mentally incapacitated from earning, $312 per annum. Paul E. Golden, born June 11, 1935—provided, however, that if the widow remarries, the annuity for said child shall be $520 during the remainder of the time aforesaid; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor.

Report accepted; said order passed.

4. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred October 1) authorizing Commissioner of Public Works to sell to Heggie Corporation three 350 H. P. boilers and appurtenant equipment at Calf Pasture Pumping Station—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

5. Report on message of the Mayor and orders (referred today) for transfers of appropriations to Public Celebrations, Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests, and City Council, Personal Services—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the orders were severally passed, yeas 14, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Banks, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—14.

Nays—0.

Councilor Banks, being granted unanimous consent to make a statement, thanked the members of the Council for the votes enabling him to receive the payment of salary due him and for their courtesy to him since he has become a member.

6. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) relative to abandonment of certain easements for sewerage purposes to private lands in Hyde Park—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 15, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Banks, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—15.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

Adjourned at 3.25 P.M., on motion of Councilor Kinsella, to meet on Monday, October 15, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, October 15, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Ansel, P. A. Tracy, Yerxa.

The Reverend Theophilus McNulty of the Franciscan Fathers, St. Anthony's Shrine, Arch street, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. THEOPHILUS McNULTY.

Let us pray. In Thy unceasing and loving care over Thy household, we beseech Thee, O Lord, grant to those to whom have been committed the well-being of the people of this city the spirit of fortitude and prudence that they may courageously direct the civil affairs of the city. Grant to them also the spirit of temperance and justice that they may patiently fulfill the task that Thy provident care has assigned to them. Imbue them with the strength of Thy example and grant to us, Thy people, unitedly and perseveringly, to seek after Thy will now that we may enjoy its reward in the life to come. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

VETO OF ORDER RE INCREASED PENSION ALLOWANCES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 15, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith, without my signature and disapproved, the order of your Honorable Body accepting chapter 820 of the Acts of 1950, providing for an increase in the pensions and retirement allowances of certain retired employees.

I declined to approve a similar order on February 21, 1951, principally for the reason that legislation under consideration in the General Court might result in a more equitable act, and that situation still prevails.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Placed on file.

CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA, CARSON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 15, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of October 1, 1951, requesting the setting up of the missing swings and means of recreation which are now missing from the children's play area on Carson street, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, October 11, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Further supplementing my recent letter to you on Councilor Hannon's order relative to the erection of more swings on the Carson Street Playground, I am pleased to inform you that they will be erected on Monday, October 15, 1951.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

INCREASED ALLOWANCES FOR WELFARE AND OLD AGE RECIPIENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 15, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary of the Overseers of the Public Welfare relative to your order of September 10, 1951, requesting an increase in the welfare and old age allowances because of the present increase in the cost of living.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Overseers of the Public Welfare,
October 10, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

This department is in receipt of the following order of the City Council passed on September 10, 1951:

Ordered, That the Board of Public Welfare be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to increase the welfare and old age allowances because of the present increase in the cost of living.

The Board of Overseers of the Public Welfare in the City of Boston wishes to advise that in the matter of Old Age Assistance this department must follow the budget procedure as established by the State Department of Public Welfare which is mandatory. In the matter of welfare grants, called General Relief in the City of Boston, a thorough study is now being made by a committee of the Board, and when the study is completed, the full Board will be given the details. If they concur in the recommendations of the committee, the matter then will be presented to his Honor the Mayor for his consideration.

Very truly yours,
WILLIAM G. O'HARE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

EMERGENCY LIGHTS IN CERTAIN SCHOOLS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 15, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the secretary to the School Committee relative to your order of October 1, 1951, requesting that emergency lights be installed in the schools, where organizations meet, throughout the city.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
School Committee, October 8, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

Your communication of October 5, 1951, submitting City Council order of October 1, 1951, that emergency lights be installed in the schools, where civic organizations meet, throughout the city, will be presented to the School Committee at the first possible moment.

Very truly yours,
AGNES E. REYNOLDS, Secretary.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER FROM PARKMAN FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 15, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners requesting the appropriation of $30,000 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Com-

missioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

The 1951 budget estimates of the Personal Service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of $183,000 from the Parkman Fund. The budget allowances made provision for the appropriation of this income as it accrued for the purpose of defraying the cost of work actually performed on the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

I submit herewith an order appropriating the sum of $30,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, October 8, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners, you are respectfully asked to request the City Council to transfer from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund the sum of $30,000 which is now available, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of..... $30,000

When making up the budget estimates for the year 1951, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item 100, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1951, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of thirty thousand dollars ($30,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of..... $30,000

Referred to the Committee on Parkman Fund.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON HOOKER STREET TO PARK DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 15, 1951.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Park Commissioners has requested that a certain parcel of tax foreclosed property situated at the rear of Hooker street in the Brighton district be transferred from the jurisdiction of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners to the Park Department, for the purpose of developing the area for park and playground purposes.

I submit herewith an order for the transfer of this land to the Park Department and recommend the adoption of said order.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

Whereas, The City of Boston by a decree of the Land Court, Suffolk Registry District, dated August 5, 1947, foreclosed a right of redemption under a tax deed recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 5866, page 7, on about forty-three thousand five hundred eighty-four (43,584) square feet of land at the end of Hooker street, Brighton district, bounded and described as follows: Southwesterly by Hooker street; northeasterly by Goddard street; and southeasterly and northwesterly by Sorrento street; and

Whereas, The Board of Park Commissioners desire to use said parcel for park and playground purposes; and

Whereas, The Board of Real Estate Commissioners has voted its assent to the transfer of said parcel to the Board of Park Commissioners; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the following-described parcel of land, be, and the same hereby is, transferred from the care, custody, control, and management of the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners to the care, custody, control, and management of the Board of Park Commissioners for park and playground purposes.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Bleakney's Express, for compensation for damage to truck by vehicle of Public Works Department.

Herman Carp, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Real Estate Division.

John J. Carpeniti, Jr., for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Robert A. Cunniff, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Maria B. Denault, for compensation for damage to property at 167 Newbury street, Boston, caused during raising of level of street.

Edw. T. Francis, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Goldie Grainer, for compensation for damage to property at 21 Cunningham street, Dorchester, caused by certain work done by city.

Norman Hobica, M.D., for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Harry F. Hollis, for compensation for damage to car by car of Police Department.

Paul C. LaBlanc, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Gallivan Boulevard.

O. Victor Maccini, for compensation for damage to property at 31 Angell street, Dorchester, caused by blasting at Franklin Hill housing project.

Harold Seacrest, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Gallivan Boulevard.

James J. Stewart, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Buildings Department.

Executive.

Petition of Rose M. Bradley to be paid annuity on account of death of husband, Manassah E. Bradley, Jr., late member of the Police Department.

Committee on Licenses.

Petitions to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day:

Lucky Strike Alleys, Joseph Bonigli, 289 Adams street, Dorchester, Ward 16.

Park Square Bowladrome, Inc., Joseph Bonigli, 162 Columbus avenue, Boston, Ward 5.

ALTERATION OF LAYOUT FOR BOSTON CENTRAL ARTERY.

Communication was received from the State Department of Public Works transmitting copy of order amending layout No. 3887 of the Boston Central Artery.

Placed on file.

Coun. WENZLER in the chair.

TAXICAB TOLL FARE, SUMNER TUNNEL.

Coun. COFFEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the proper authorities be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately study the advisability of reducing the toll fare through the Sumner Tunnel from 20 cents to 10 cents for all taxicabs.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

IMPROVED LIGHTING ON SCHUYLER STREET.

Coun. COOK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to provide better lighting on Schuyler street, Roxbury.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

NEW STREET SIGNS AT WALDECK AND TONAWANDA STREETS.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put new street signs at the corner of Waldeck and Tonawanda streets, Dorchester, Ward 17, to replace the present signs that are illegible.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ELECTRIC LIGHT ON MELVILLE LANE.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an electric light on Melville Lane, Ward 17.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECIPIENTS OF WELFARE AND OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, Through his Honor the Mayor, to request Mr. O'Hare to instruct all visitors who visit Old Age, Welfare, or other recipients to be satisfied with a notarized affidavit when there is a doubt regarding the recipients' other incomes.
Referred to the Committee on Public Welfare.

PURCHASE OF HIPPOPOTAMUS.

Coun. SHANLEY called up, under assignment, No. 1 on the calendar, viz.:
Order requesting the Park Commissioner to purchase a certain hippopotamus.
The order was rejected.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. CANTWELL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:
Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred October 8) of Patrick Flaherty, Roe Augusta, Thomas Flaherty, Arthur Dillon, Walter Murphy, John Regan, Michael Berry as Weighers of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that the appointments be confirmed.
Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred October 8) of Marilyn Wilensky and Peter Villani as Weighers of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.
The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Shanley and Lanigan. Whole number of ballots 15, yeas 14, nay 1, and the appointments were confirmed.

CITY ELECTION, NOVEMBER 6.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That meetings of the citizens of this city qualified to vote for city officers be held at the several polling places designated for the purpose by the Board of Election Commissioners on Tuesday, the sixth day of November, 1951, to give in their votes for not more than one candidate for the office of Mayor, not more than nine candidates for the office of City Councilor, and not more than five candidates for the office of School Committeeman.
The polls at said meeting shall be opened at eight o'clock A.M. and closed at eight o'clock P.M.
Ordered, That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of said meetings according to law.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS TO CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS.

Coun. McCOLGAN and WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Licensing Board, the Street Commissioners, and other city departments that hold public hearings to notify all the Boston members of the General Court and civic organizations of said hearings when such requests are made in writing by the organizations.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PARKMAN FUND.

Coun. LANE, for the Committee on Parkman Fund, submitted the following:
Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) transferring $30,000 from income of Parkman Fund to be expended under direction of the Park Commissioners that same ought to pass.
The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 14, nays 0:
Yeas—Councilors Banks, Beades, Bryan, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—14.
Nays—0.

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE MAYOR.

On motion of Councilor Bryan, the Council voted to take from the table No. 2 on the Calendar, viz.:
Resolution congratulating the Mayor on his efficient administration.
On motion of Councilor Farin, the resolution was referred to the Executive Committee.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Hannon, the Council voted that when it adjourn, it be to meet on Monday, October 29, 1951, at 2 P.M.

IDENTIFICATION TAGS FOR ALL SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Director of Civil Defense be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to furnish identification tags for all school children, as a means of identification in the event of bombing attacks.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

PARKING ON PARK DEPARTMENT PROPERTY.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners, the Park Commissioners, and the Law Department be requested to appear before the Executive Committee at 3 P.M. today.
Subject: Parking by Sears Roebuck & Co., patrons on Park Department property on Park Drive, and Brookline avenue bounded by the Riverway.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

HEARINGS ON THE GRANTING OF CERTAIN LICENSES.

Coun. WENZLER and McCOLGAN offered the following:
Ordered, that his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct all department heads who are authorized to issue permits for the storage of fuel oils, gasoline, and the sale of alcoholic beverages, etc., to notify the South Boston Citizens' Association of any hearing relative to the granting of such license in that district.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REMOVAL OF TREE, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the dead tree at 712 East Broadway, Ward 6, next to the hydrant, because it is in a dangerous condition and interferes with traffic.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF EMPIRE STREET, WARD 22.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be directed, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and construct Empire street, Ward 22, as a public way.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Banks, the Council voted to take a recess at 2.40 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber at 3.16 P.M. and were called to order by Chairman WENZLER.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) transferring land in rear of Hooker street, Brighton, from Real Estate Commission to Park Department for park and playground purposes—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on resolution (referred today) that the Council congratulates the Mayor for his efficient administration which has brought about a reduction in the tax rate—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted On motion of Councilor Farin to refer the resolution to the Executive Committee, the motion was lost.

The resolution was adopted.

PARK DEPARTMENT PROPERTY AT BLAKE HOUSE.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor, request the Park Commissioners to put a walk through the Park Department property at the Blake House in Ward 7, said walk to run from East Cottage street to the junction of Pond street and Columbia road.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 3.24 P.M., on motion of Councilor Hannon, to meet on Monday, October 29, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, October 29, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., Coun. WENZLER, senior member, in the chair. Absent, Councilors Coffey, Hurley, Kinsella, Lane, and Yerxa.

The Very Reverend Bertrand Campbell of the Franciscan Fathers, St. Anthony's Shrine, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY VERY REVEREND BERTRAND CAMPBELL.

Let us pray. O Almighty God, Creator and Ruler of the world, spiritually help the City of Boston. and by Thy spiritual help strengthen and confirm it in all its purposes. By Thy charity and grace and wisdom, renew the spirit of Thy servants whom Thou has appointed to direct this government that in Thee they may clarify the Father and His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Constable, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1952: Robert C. Younken, 8 Sherwood court, Roxbury.

Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1952: John Keller, 120 Rosetta street, Dorchester.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

"STOP" SIGNS, WARD 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 29, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of October 8, 1951, requesting the placement of "Stop" signs at the corner of Greenbrier and Park streets, and Alpha road and Park street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
October 25, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of October 8, requesting the placement of a "Stop" sign at the corner of Greenbrier and Park streets, and Alpha road and Park street, I wish to report that this order follows many other requests which we have had to make Park street a "Stop" street at Alpha road and Greenbrier street. Previous rejections have been based upon the fact that traffic is not sufficiently heavy to warrant the choice of this intersection instead of other intersections in the neighborhood for a "Stop" street.

On October 9 and 10 we had a 10-hour count of traffic taken between the hours of 8 A.M. and 6 P.M. at Alpha road, Greenbrier street, and Park street. During this 10-hour period, 14 vehicles came out of Alpha road; 164 came out of Greenbrier street; on Park street 435 vehicles were eastbound and 415 westbound.

Greenbrier street is used as an avenue for local traffic only. It is not a through street and strangers do not frequent it.

According to the standards set up by the state for the establishment of a "Stop" street we find that there is no warrant which would permit us to legally defend the selection of this intersection as a site for a "Stop" street.

Sincerely yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

CLEANING OF STREETS, WARDS 12 AND 14.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 29, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of October 8, 1951, requesting that clean-up crews be put through the streets of Wards 12 and 14 so that the district will be clean for the Jewish high holidays.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 16, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

Receipt is acknowledged of your memorandum of October 10, attaching order in Council, under date of October 8, 1951, request of Councilor Ansel, as follows:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put clean-up crews through the streets of Wards 12 and 14 so that the district will be clean for the Jewish high holidays."

A report received from the Sanitary Division states that on Sunday, September 30, additional men were employed on special street cleaning in the synagogue areas in preparation for the Jewish high holidays commencing on the evening of September 30 and extending through October 2, 1951.

The order in Council, dated October 8, 1951, was received too late for special clean-up work, but the regular street-cleaning work was performed in these areas.

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

SIDEWALK AT 387 WEST FOURTH STREET, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 29, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of October 8, 1951, requesting restoring of the sidewalk in front of 387 West Fourth street, Ward 6, which has been left in a dangerous condition as the result of the removal of a tree.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 25, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works restore the sidewalk in front of 387 West Fourth street, Ward 6, which has been left in a dangerous condition as the result of the removal of a tree, and this will advise you that the sidewalk at this location has been repaired by the local paving service district forces.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

STREET SIGNS AT WALDECK AND TONAWANDA STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor October 29, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of October 15, 1951, requesting that new street signs be put at the corner of Waldeck and Tonawanda streets, Dorchester, Ward 17, in order to overcome the present signs that are illegible.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 25, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Public Works Commissioner put new street signs at the corner of Waldeck and Tonawanda streets, Dorchester, Ward 17, in order to overcome the present signs that are illegible, and this will advise you that the obliterated signs at the above locations have been replaced with new street signs.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

PRINTING OF "CALENDAR OF EVENTS."

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 29, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Under the provisions of section 2 of chapter 24 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, I propose to have printed 125,000 copies of a folder bearing the title "Calendar of Events in Boston, Fall–Winter, 1951–1952." This folder will be distributed through hotels, stores, theaters, etc., to the thousands of visitors who will be present in our city attending conventions or spending vacations in the area. It will contain a calendar showing the various sporting, theatrical, and entertainment features scheduled during the period, as well as historical points of interest, sight-seeing trips, and other information to guide visitors in planning their recreational and entertainment program during their stay in our midst. In my opinion, such a publication will not only advertise the facilities available to visitors but will also create a large measure of good will toward our city.

I submit an order authorizing the printing of this pamphlet as a special city document or publication and recommend its immediate consideration and adoption.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Printing be authorized to print 125,000 copies of a folder entitled "Calendar of Events in Boston, Fall–Winter, 1951–1952," the expense of such printing to be charged to the appropriation for City Documents.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 29, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed requests for transfers of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are forwarded for consideration and adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, $30,000, to the appropriation for Institutions Department, Long Island Viaduct, Construction of, $30,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for 03–11, Public Works Department (Bridge Service), 23–12, Bridges, Repairs, Etc., $50,000, to the appropriation for 03–21, Public Works Department (Lighting Service), 2, Contractual Services, $50,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON TREMONT STREET, ROXBURY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 29, 1951.

To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

A recently enacted statute is chapter 728 of the Acts of 1951, entitled "An Act Authorizing the Transfer of Certain Parcels of Land on Tremont Street in the Roxbury District of the City of Boston from the Public Welfare and Park Departments, Respectively, to the Public Buildings Department of Said City."

The purpose of the act is to enable the City of Boston, through its Public Buildings Department, to construct, on land now or formerly a part of the Mission Hill Playground, a building containing suitable quarters for a branch office of the Public Welfare Department and also a gymnasium. The facilities of the gymnasium are expected to include, in addition to shower and locker rooms, bleachers seating 1,500 persons so that basketball games and other indoor meets conducted there may be played before an audience.

Under the express terms of the above-mentioned statute, it is not to become fully effective unless and until accepted by vote of your Honorable Body during the current year. In order that the much-needed public improvement described above may be commenced at once, I recommend to your Honorable Body the immediate adoption of the order of acceptance transmitted herewith.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

Ordered, That chapter 728 of the Acts of 1951 entitled "An Act Authorizing the Transfer of Certain Parcels of Land on Tremont Street in the Roxbury District of the City of Boston from the Public Welfare and Park Departments, Respectively, to the Public Buildings Department of Said City" be, and the same hereby is, accepted.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz:

Claims.

Arthur F. Bickford, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Elmo Boardi, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by defect at School Buildings Department, 26 Norman street.

Edward A. Cass, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Patrick Costello, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division, Public Works Department.

Neil P. Coyle, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division, Public Works Department.

Edward F. Dillon, Jr., to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Frank P. Fall, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

J. W. Gately Sons, for compensation for damage to drapes and flags used for decoration of City Hall.

Irene Grund, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Egremont road, Brighton.

David Hecht, for compensation for damage to property at 202 and 204 Blue Hill avenue, caused by backing up of sewage.

Edward V. Kehir, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Margaret and Mary Kiernan, for compensation for damage to property at 16 Irving street, caused by broken water pipe.

Amos Kivekas, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

Elizabeth Lazzaro, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Bennington street, East Boston.

Leah Levine, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 114 Canal street.

Paul G. Logan, for payment of vacation money due him from Ferry Division, Public Works Department.

Carmen C. Lombardo, for compensation for damage to property at 308 Saratoga street, East Boston, during water meter installation.

Dorothy E. and Carl Ludwig, for compensation for damage to property and injuries caused by city car.

Alexander MacDonald, for compensation for damage to property at 11 Frederika street, caused by lowering of grade of sidewalk.

James E. Maloof, for compensation for damage to car by Fire Department wagon.

Bernard J. McNulty, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Daniel and Mollie Milano, for compensation for damage to property at 293 North street, caused by backing up of sewage.

Mary Morley Murphy, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 99 Adams street, caused by water being shut off.

Joseph L. Murray, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Musolino, Loconte Company, for compensation for damage to property at 111–117 Commercial street, caused by overflow of water.

Gertrude Newman, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 14 and 16 Parmenter street.

Margaret Orlandino, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1 Bennington street.

Frank E. Plantamura, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Thomas F. Quinn, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Abraham and Theresa Resnick, for compensation for damage to property at 328 Harvard street, Dorchester, during blasting.

Jack V. Rotman, for compensation for damage to property at 2041 Centre street, West Roxbury, by water from city pipes.

Ruth Ruane, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Washington and Northampton streets.

Benjamin Steinberg, for compensation for damage to property at 235 Bay State road, caused by broken water main.

Albert Subotof, for compensation for damage to car by car of Police Department.

Charles R. Walker, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Executive.

Petition of Ella Dunham to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Ariel H. Dunham, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of William K. Morrison, Officer in House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, for retirement as veteran.

Committee on Licenses.

Petitions to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day:

Scollay Alleys, by Samuel Selett, 48 Scollay square, Boston, Ward 3.

Codman Square Bowlaway, by George H. Kevorkian, 649 Washington street, Dorchester, Ward 17.

NOTICE OF LAND-TAKING BY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION.

Notice was received from the Metropolitan District Commission of order of taking of land on Lowell, Nashua, Charles and Auburn streets and Charles River Dam owned by the City of Boston.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on November 26 and 27, at 10.15 A.M., on rates and charges of the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company.

Placed on file.

BOND OF INDEMNITY.

A communication was received from the Metropolitan District Commission enclosing bond of indemnity from Cibotti & Andreassi, Inc., contractors, who have contracted with Water Division of Metropolitan District Commission to install pressure regulator in Brighton.

The bond referred to was deposited with the City Auditor on October 22, 1951, and the communication was placed on file.

APPROVAL OF LOAN FOR CIVIL DEFENSE ACTIVITIES.

Notice was received from the Emergency Finance Board of approval of loan of $500,000 for Civil Defense Activities as voted on March 5, 1951.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF LEO P. CONLAN.

Notice was received from the Health Department of appointment of Leo P. Conlan, 30 Fidelis Way, Brighton, as inspector of housing and sanitation (emergency), effective October 17, 1951.

Placed on file.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Coun. COOK called up, under unfinished business, Nos. 1, 2, and 3 on the Calendar, viz:

1. Order for lease of land near junction of Border and Sumner streets, East Boston, to the United States of America for $1.

On October 8, 1951, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 16, nays 0.

2. Order authorizing agreement between City of Boston and Town of Brookline for extension of sewer and surface drains at Cleveland Circle, Brighton.

On October 8, 1951, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 15, nays 0.

3. Order for abandonment of easements for sewerage purposes, land in Hyde Park.

On October 8, 1951, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 15, nays 0.

The question came on giving the three orders their second reading and passage.

The three orders were given their second reading and severally passed, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler—17.

Nays—0.

RESURFACING OF FAWNDALE ROAD.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Fawndale road, Ward 19.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAINING PROGRAM EMPLOYEES, PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Superintendent of Printing to immediately take steps to pay the employees of his department who are engaged in the training program the raises they are entitled to.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

SIDEWALK AT 30 NEILLIAN CRESCENT.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works make a sidewalk along 30 Neilian Crescent, Ward 19, in front of the estates bordering thereon; said sidewalk to be from 3 to 10 inches above the gutter adjoining, to be from 5 to 12 feet in width, and to be built of artificial stone, under the provisions of chapter 203 of the Acts of 1943, as amended.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS BY CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES.

Coun. F. P. TRACEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Overseers of Public Welfare be directed by his Honor the Mayor to immediately discontinue the practice of requiring regularly assigned civil service employees to file a financial statement, in order to establish the hardship of their case before being considered for salary after having used the limit of sick leave.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

INCREASED NURSING STAFF, CITY HOSPITAL.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to hold an emergency meeting to determine a plan that will bring about an additional nursing staff; otherwise a very acute shortage of nurses will develop at the Boston City Hospital due to the opening of the veterans' hospital in Roxbury.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

SALARY OF ORDERLIES, CITY HOSPITAL.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the advisability of increasing the salaries of the orderlies at the Boston City Hospital.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

APPROVAL OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH VATICAN STATE.

Coun. BEADES, RAMSEY, and F. P. TRACEY offered the following:
Whereas, The current events of world history clearly demonstrate the need for coordinating the great struggle against world Communism and the necessity of a practical method of exchanging information between the states which are allied in the struggle against world domination by the Communists; and
Whereas, A renewal of diplomatic relations between the United States and the State of the Vatican City, both of which have identical peace objectives, will do much towards achieving that objective; therefore be it
Resolved, That the Boston City Council commends President Harry S. Truman for promoting diplomatic relations between the United States and the State of the Vatican City by nominating General Mark W. Clark as the official United States Ambassador to the Vatican; and be it further
Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the President of the United States.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT COLUMBUS AVENUE AND DAVENPORT STREET.

Coun. BANKS offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the advisability of installing traffic lights on Columbus avenue, corner of Davenport street, in Roxbury, Ward 9.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REMOVAL OF ELECTRIC METERS, HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Boston Housing Authority to remove the electric meters from the homes in the Old Harbor Village and other projects where the cost of utilities is included in the rentals.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

HEALTH UNIT AT EGLESTON SQUARE.

Coun. P. A. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Trustees of the George Robert White Fund be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to prepare plans to convert the present fire station in Egleston square into a health unit upon its release by the Fire Department.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

PROGRAM FOR HERBERT A. PHILBRICK DAY.

Coun. P. A. TRACY and SHANLEY offered the following:
Whereas, His Excellency the Governor has been requested to issue a proclamation designating November 27, 1951, as Herbert A. Philbrick Day; and
Whereas, Herbert A. Philbrick, at great personal sacrifice as an undercover man for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, was instrumental in exposing the underground activities of Communists in this country; therefore be it
Ordered, That the Director of Public Celebrations be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange an appropriate program for November 27, 1951, in honor of said Herbert A. Philbrick and in recognition of his splendid work in exposing Communist activities.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Cook the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet on Monday, November 19, 1951, at 2 P.M.

PAINTING OF MTA ELEVATED UPRIGHTS, CHARLESTOWN.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Metropolitan Transit Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to paint the elevated uprights on Main street, Charlestown, with white paint as a means of protecting automobilists who are not familiar with this section.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

CHARLESTOWN HOUSING PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair the clothes drying yards and clean up the grounds around the Charlestown Housing Project.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, DRESSER STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place a smooth top over the cobblestones on Dresser street, Ward 6, and to replace the present brick sidewalks with granolithic.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SIDEWALK REPAIRS, 596 EAST SECOND STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repair the sidewalk in front of 596 East Second street, Ward 6, which is in a dangerous condition.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

POLICE BOAT FOR CITY POINT STATION.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Metropolitan District Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to furnish a police cruiser boat for the City Point Station.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

Coun. BRYAN in the chair.

ARMISTICE DAY PARADE.

Coun. McCOLGAN, for Councilor Hurley, offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger, through his Honor the Mayor, be authorized to rope off Commonwealth avenue (south side), Arlington street, Boylston street, Tremont street, Temple place, Washington street, School street, Beacon street, Arlington street, and Commonwealth avenue (north side), in conjunction with the annual Armistice Day Parade to be held on November 12, 1951, and that same be charged to the City Council appropriation for Ropes, Flags, and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. McCORMACK, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petitions (referred October 15) to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day —recommending that licenses be granted:

Park Square Bowladrome, Inc., 162 Columbus avenue, Ward 5; Lucky Strike Alley, 289 Adams street, Ward 16.

Report on petitions (referred today) to operate bowling alleys on the Lords' day—recommending that licenses be granted: Scollay Alleys, 48 Scollay square, Ward 3; Codman Square Bowlaway, 649 Washington street, Ward 17.

The reports were accepted, and the licenses were severally granted under the usual conditions.

LEGISLATURE RE INCREASED PENSION ALLOWANCES.

Coun. BRYAN, for Councilor Hurley, offered the following:

Whereas, The ever increasing cost of living knows no age limit or select group and must be borne by all; and

Whereas, It is generally conceded that no step-rate increases have been granted to City of Boston pensioners over the years to correspond with the increased cost of living; and

Whereas, Pending before the Legislature is House Bill 2678 which, if approved and enacted into law, will grant pensioners an increase in the amount of money upon which they are dependent for their livelihood; therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, urge the members of the Massachusetts Legislature to take prompt action on the passage of House Bill 2678 in order that these elderly persons who are the recipients of a small pension as the only means of their support may be mentally relieved of their present financial worries.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHTS, WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor contact the Public Works Commissioner in order to have him install one electric light at the corner of Stanton and Norfolk streets, and also electrify Sharp street, Ward 17.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ADDITIONAL LIGHTS ON CENTRE STREET, WARD 20.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install additional lights on Centre street, from Weld street to the West Roxbury Parkway, Ward 20, as this residential area is extremely dark at night and is heavily traveled by automobiles.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

The Council voted at 3.20 P.M., on motion of Councilor Cook, to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by Chairman BRYAN at 3.50 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred today) that Metropolitan District Commission furnish a police cruiser boat for the City Point Station — that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) accepting chapter 728 of the Acts of 1951, authorizing transfer of land on Tremont street, Roxbury, to the Public Buildings Department — that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

3. Report on order (referred today) that the Superintendent of Printing be authorized to print 125,000 copies of folder entitled "Calendar of Events in Boston, Fall–Winter, 1951–1952"— that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

4. Report on petition (referred today) of William K. Morrison, correction officer in House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, for retirement as veteran for disability—recommending passage of the following order:

Whereas, William K. Morrison, employed in the service of the County of Suffolk as correction officer in the House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, has made application to be retired under the provisions of section 57 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended; and

Whereas, The said William K. Morrison has submitted to the City Council satisfactory evidence that he is a veteran as defined in section 56 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, that he has been

certified for retirement for disability by the duly authorized medical board, that he has been in the service of the county at least 10 years, that he is incapacitated for active service, and that his total income from all sources, exclusive of his retirement allowance and of any sum received from the government of the United States as a pension for war service, does not exceed $1,000;

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 57 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended, William K. Morrison, employed in the service of the County of Suffolk as correction officer in the House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, be, and hereby is, retired by the Mayor and City Council, acting as county commissioners, at an annual pension of $2,331.20, being 62 per cent of his highest regular rate of compensation.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

5. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) transferring appropriation of $50,000 from Bridge Service to Lighting Service, Public Works Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 13, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Bryan, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler—13.

Nays—0.

Adjourned at 3.58 P.M., on motion of Councilor McColgan, to meet on Monday, November 19, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Thursday, November 8, 1951.

Special meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 A.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Ansel, Banks, Chase, Coffey, Kinsella, Lane, Lanigan, McCormack, Shanley, and P. A. Tracy.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

The meeting was held pursuant to the following call:

City of Boston,
Office of the City Clerk,
November 5, 1951.

A special meeting of the City Council will be held in its Chamber, City Hall, on Thursday, November 8, 1951, at 11 o'clock A.M.

By order of the Court.

W. J. MALLOY,
City Clerk.

Subject: To draw jurors.

Placed on file.

Coun. WENZLER in the chair.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Farin presiding at the box, in the absence of the Mayor:

Forty-four traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear December 3, 1951:

Domenic Balzotti, Ward 1; Frank Dore, Ward 1; James T. O'Connor, Ward 1; James F. McGowan, Ward 2; Samuel Kaiser, Ward 3; George H. Milley, Ward 3; John Cabrera, Ward 4; Stephen P. Mealey, Ward 4; Justin Swartz, Ward 4; Armando Carli, Ward 5; Agnes T. Curran, Ward 5; Stanley J. Donahue, Ward 6; Joseph W. Keenan, Ward 7; Sidney Randall, Ward 7; Richard L. Tobin, Ward 7; James G. MacDonald, Ward 8; Edward W. Powers, Ward 8; Harry Coates, Ward 9; Charles F. Wheelock, Ward 9; William F. Ansell, Ward 10; Patrick J. Foley, Ward 13; Edward R. Long, Ward 13; William Aronson, Ward 14; Abraham Kaplan, Ward 14; Joseph Maltz, Ward 14; Charles Weinberg, Ward 14; John A. Adams, Ward 16; Thomas M. Sullivan, Ward 16; Joseph D. Marra, Ward 17; Walter B. Minton, Ward 17; Daniel J. O'Neil, Ward 17; John H. Purcell, Ward 17; John J. Eagan, Ward 18; Edward G. Murphy, Ward 18; John T. Senger, Ward 18; Daniel E. Greenwood, Ward 19; William M. Brunton, Ward 20; Ellen Donnelly, Ward 20; Joseph T. Rowan, Ward 20; Herbert Downward, Ward 21; Robert J. Mauscrt, Ward 21; Edward J. McAloon, Ward 21; Joseph J. McCarthy, Ward 21; James T. Cantwell, Ward 22.

One hundred eight traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear December 3, 1951:

Joseph Alioto, Ward 1; Anthony Catanese, Ward 1; John Connolly, Ward 1; Edward Lombardo, Ward 1; Vincent Messina, Ward 1; Joseph J. Previte, Ward 1; Lee H. Furman, Ward 2; Isabelle C. O'Brien, Ward 2; Charles Alum, Ward 3; Joseph H. Conley, Ward 3; George E. Emmons, Ward 3; Robert E. Lynch, Jr., Ward 3; Thomas F. Mancy, Ward 3; Joseph Moglia, Ward 3; Frank Papa, Ward 3; Benjamin A. Chase, Ward 4; Winifred P. Kelly, Ward 4; Wilhelmina Miller, Ward 4; Robert H. Savery, Ward 4; Alfred O. Berntsen, Ward 5; Gerald J. Bovee, Ward 5; Michael E. Duff, Ward 5; Thomas M. Ecker, Ward 5; Calvin B. Faunce, Jr., Ward 5; Lyman B. Frazier, Ward 5; Willard J. Copeland, Ward 6; Margaret M. Crowley, Ward 6; Michael J. Hayes, Ward 6; Anthony J. Innello, Ward 6; George W. McInnis, Ward 6; Edward J. Moore, Ward 6; Joseph C. Crane, Ward 7; Alfred Dowling, Ward 7; Elmer E. Field, Ward 7; Edward J. Morrill, Ward 7; Helen A. Sullivan, Ward 7; John J. O'Brien, Ward 8; Joseph Cooper, Ward 9; Charles J. Flynn, Ward 9; John H. Ball, Ward 10; Peter Dunican, Ward 10; John Durkin, Ward 10; Michael J. Norton, Ward 10; John A. Ryan, Ward 10; Conrad A. Barrows, Ward 11; Leon Brittain, Ward 11; Inez M. Johnson, Ward 11; Thomas W. Landers, Ward 11; John E. MacDonald, Ward 11; Joseph E. McDonald, Ward 11; George W. McLean, Ward 11; Robert A. Perry, Ward 11; Simon Sooper, Ward 11; Mathias A. Williams, Ward 11; John J. Coleman, Ward 12; Dan Alexander MacLennan, Ward 12; Daniel F. McGinley, Ward 12; William H. Magrath, Ward 12; Martin T. Carroll, Ward 13; Samuel Harrigan, Ward 13; John J. McCoy, Ward 13; Samuel Cassoy, Ward 14; Arthur C. Gonyea, Ward 14; Joseph J. Henaghan, Ward 14; Stanley Marram, Ward 14; Francis Puccini, Ward 14; Philip Tatoff, Ward 14; Jacob Vegal, Ward 14; Edmund J. Pratt, Ward 15; Peter F. Trabucco, Ward 15; Robert B. Boyd, Ward 16; Francis W. Doyle, Ward 16; William Dwyer, Ward 16; Festus Heanue, Ward 16; Norman F. McDonah, Ward 16; John R. O'Brien, Ward 16; Joseph E. Reardon, Ward 16; James P. Blute, Ward 17; Raymond L. Buck, Ward 17; Rose Y. Crowell, Ward 17; Edward Goodman, Ward 17; Frederick Johnson, Ward 17; John J. O'Rourke, Ward 17; William E. Pero, Ward 17; Ralph L. Sabean, Ward 17; Walter F. Sterritt, Ward 17; Hugh Corbett, Ward 18; Leo J. Costello, Ward 18; George Gerstein, Ward 18; Eugene H. Goulter, Ward 18; James F. Langmead, Ward 18; Carleton T. MacLellan, Ward 18; Frederick D. Mullen, Ward 18; Wilfred F. Putnam, Ward 18; John C. Lyon, Ward 19; Philip C. Blatz, Ward 20; Harris E. B. Chenell, Ward 20; William D. Copeland, Ward 20; Thomas A. Cotter, Jr., Ward 20; Arnold S. Grant, Ward 20; John R. MacDonald, Ward 20; Lorimer Morrison, Ward 20; Charles F. Sommer, Ward 20; John McIsaac, Ward 21; Peter Melonis, Ward 21; Eleanor Cantwell, Ward 22; Thomas A. Davis, Ward 22; Robert J. Dunn, Ward 22.

The purpose for which the meeting was called having been accomplished, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 11.54 A.M.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, November 19, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., Councilor WENZLER, senior member, in the chair. Absent, Councilors Bryan, Hurley, and Lane.

Monsignor James F. Fitzsimons, pastor of St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church, Dorchester, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY MONSIGNOR JAMES F. FITZSIMONS.

O God, the Father, we suppliants ask You to stretch forth Thy strong arm to quell the storm which on all sides seems to be rising and threatening to engulf us. When we consider even professedly Christian nations have deviated so far from Thy path of righteousness, we realize how infinite Thy patience and mercy are.

You have endowed each of us with that animated spirit which we call the soul, which gives light to this lightless body, and You have endowed that soul with faculties that astound us because of their particular nature. The greatest of these is the mind, that spiritual faculty by virtue of which we can learn of Your existence by reason alone. You have endowed that soul with a memory and, because of this, we can go back into the past and see our many shortcomings and feel that unless we are extremely circumspect, there will be danger of the repetition of those occasions of sin. You have given us a memory by which we can recall them, hoping thereby we may profit by our past experience.

But you have not endowed us with any faculty by which we can peer into the future. You did this designedly, because, had we known the day of our dissolution, there would be a great possibility of our postponing our reformation until it was too late. We ardently desire to live each day as though it was the last.

Your Divine Son told us, "In my Father's kingdom there are many mansions," meaning thereby no two souls in salvation receive the same reward because no two souls are equally virtuous. So it is our desire and ambition to rise to the supreme height so that we may occupy those highest and most important castles.

We pray for our President. Few men have been confronted with so many trials as the present incumbent. We realize how hopeless he is in meeting some of these, and we pray you may lavish his soul with the necessary grace to perform his acts in a manner in keeping with our Divine Lord. We have placed at his disposal a diabolical weapon, a weapon so destructive that he is rather loath to use it. We ask Thy special grace that he may do what is best for the nation and for the nations throughout the world. We ask You to give him special grace that he may know which method to choose.

We pray and ask for special grace for our Governor, who has under his jurisdiction millions of people whose happiness in great part depends upon the laws which are enacted under his authority.

We pray for the members of this Council, all of whom realize that of themselves they cannot perform works of charity and justice unless they have Your divine assistance. They realize that no matter how erudite they may be or how vast their experience, they must have an infinite law to make the human law conform to it, and, after all, the norm by which is judged human law depends entirely on how it agrees with Your divine law. We have learned Your divine law through the Scriptures of which You are the author, and also we have learned it by tradition which even antedates the New Testament.

In conclusion, the end of our exhortation, we will say that prayer which we have learned from no less a person than Thy Divine Son.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn, in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Farin presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Sixty-seven traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear December 4, 1951:

Catherine Condon, Ward 1; Salvatore Penta, Ward 1; Paul E. Tryder, Ward 2; Leo H. Balko, Ward 3; Paschal J. DiMasi, Ward 3; John P. Hartnett, Ward 3; Ross D. Butler, Ward 5; Bernard Moss, Ward 5; Harold A. Austin, Ward 6; Carl A. Miglin, Ward 7; John H. Olsson, Ward 7; Richard P. Cavanaugh, Ward 8; Angus B. McIntyre, Ward 8; James E. Wightman, Jr., Ward 8; Walton H. Christmas, Ward 9; William F. Dalton, Ward 10; Walter Landers, Ward 10; James Mannering, Ward 10; William A. Abberton, Ward 11; Mary E. Dillon, Ward 11; William H. Godfrey, Ward 11; Lester E. Chadwick, Ward 12; Frank G. Eifler, Ward 12; Louis O. Gray, Ward 12; Harry C. Smith, Ward 12; Joseph Bass, Ward 13; Charles A. Fraser, Ward 13; John A. Grant, Ward 13; John Logan, Ward 13; Clarence N. MacKinnon, Ward 13; Roy W. Manter, Ward 13; George H. Noble, Ward 13; Isadore Fishman, Ward 14; Louis Grolnic, Ward 14; John F. Monahan, Ward 14; Stanley Parsons, Ward 14; Max Gerstein, Ward 15; George A. Kowalker, Ward 15; Michael J. Panit, Ward 15; William J. Walsh, Ward 15; Joseph W. Cook, Ward 16; Leo L. Hood, Jr., Ward 16; Andrew J. O'Toole, Ward 16; Joseph J. Bellew, Ward 17; John W. Carroll, Jr., Ward 17; James A. Fanning, Ward 17; Barney M. Fisher, Ward 17; Thomas S. Hausserman, Ward 17; Jeremiah Christopher Spillane, Ward 17; Samuel L. Wachtel, Ward 17; Aldo Bertoni, Ward 18; Karl H. Burow, Ward 19; William H. Crocker, Ward 19; Michael J. Harney, Ward 19; Edward P. Hart, Ward 19; Margaret M. Horan, Ward 19; William A. Hunt, Ward 19; Katherine Owens, Ward 19; Ralph G. Caldwell, Ward 20; Patrick Downey, Ward 20; Helen M. Keefe, Ward 20; Joseph A. Tyo, Ward 20; Jacob Fraser, Ward 21; Gertrude Hopkins, Ward 21; William F. Seeley, Ward 21; Jeremiah Sullivan, Ward 21; David P. Nagle, Ward 22.

POLICE CRUISER BOAT FOR CITY POINT STATION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 19, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Acting Commissioner of the Metropolitan District Commission relative to your order of October 29, 1951, requesting that a police cruiser boat be furnished for the City Point Station.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Metropolitan District Commission,
November 13, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

Receipt is acknowledged of your memorandum of November 2, with the accompanying copy of an order of your Honorable City Council requesting this Commission to provide a police cruiser boat for the City Point District.

The Commission regrets that it must advise your Honorable Council that it lacks jurisdiction in the area where the boat would operate, as its control extends only to the mean low water mark. It would appear, therefore, that the boat should be furnished and operated by the City Police Department, if needed.

Very truly yours,
EDGAR F. COPELL,
Acting Commissioner.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING OF FAWNDALE ROAD, WARD 19.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 19, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of October 29, 1951, requesting the resurfacing of Fawndale road, Ward 19.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 9, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface Fawndale road, Ward 19, and this will advise you that it is now too late in the season to undertake this work this year, but this street will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the year 1952.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, DRESSER STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 19, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of October 29, 1951, requesting the placement of a smooth top over the cobblestones on Dresser street, Ward 6, and replacement of the present brick sidewalks with granolithic.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 9, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works place a smooth top over the cobblestones on Dresser street, Ward 6, and replace the present brick sidewalks with granolithic, and this will advise you that it is now too late in the season to undertake the work this year, but this will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the year 1952.

Very truly yours,
George G. Hyland,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

INCREASE IN CITY HOSPITAL NURSING STAFF.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 19, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Superintendent of the Boston City Hospital relative to your order of October 29, 1951, requesting that an emergency meeting be held to determine the plan that will bring about an additional nursing staff.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Hospital Department,
November 8, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

I am in receipt of your communication of November 2, 1951, enclosing City Council order of October 29, 1951, requesting that an emergency meeting be held to determine the plan that will bring about an additional nursing staff.

I will bring this to the attention of the Board of Trustees at its next meeting.

Very truly yours,
James W. Manary, M.D.,
Superintendent.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS, COLUMBUS AVENUE AND DAVENPORT STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 19, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of October 29, 1951, requesting the studying of the advisability of installing traffic lights on Columbus avenue, corner of Davenport street, Roxbury.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
November 8, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of October 29, requesting that a study be made of the advisability of installing traffic lights on Columbus avenue, corner of Davenport street, Roxbury, I wish to report that the underground conduit for a proposed signal at this location was installed at the time that Columbus avenue was resurfaced.

Accordingly, this location is on our list for consideration. A pedestrian push-button signal, to serve the playground, would be helpful. However, we are trying to serve the greatest needs first, and it is hoped that we will be able to make this installation out of our 1952 appropriations, but we cannot give a definite promise or guarantee at this time.

Respectfully yours,
Wm. Arthur Reilly, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

IDENTIFICATION TAGS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 5, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Director of Civil Defense relative to your order of October 15, 1951, requesting that identification tags be furnished to all school children as a means of identification in the event of bombing attacks.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Department Of Civil Defense,
October 31, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Mr. Shannon:

In response to your communication of October 17, 1951, which stated that a City Council order of October 15, 1951, requested "that identification tags be furnished to all school children as a means of identification in the event of bombing attacks," I wish to state that the whole matter of identification has been considered at length by the federal government and a definite prescription was set forth for such identification.

Specifications for identification tags have been submitted to us by the State Department of Civil Defense for our information. No definite action has been requested or required to date.

I took the liberty of calling the H. W. Peters Company, of Watertown, which was the only Massachusetts agency that was designated as ready to manufacture identification tags. Mr. Peters informed me that he himself has not as yet received specifications from the federal government, but in all probability he will receive them shortly, and he promised that he would get in touch with me when he had become more thoroughly informed on the problem of identification.

In view of what has been said on this subject to date, I am inclined to believe that all matters of identification will be determined by the Federal Civil Defense Authority and the State Civil Defense Agency and that our part will be to use the prescription which they set forth.

I shall report to you further on this matter at a later date when more information is available.

Very truly yours,
JOSEPH L. MALONE,
Director of Civil Defense.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FOR PURCHASE OF LAND IN HYDE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 19,1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

There is submitted herewith a letter for the transfer of funds in the amount of $15,000 for the purpose of acquiring two parcels of land in the Hyde Park district of Boston—one parcel on the southerly side of Faraday street between numbers 19 and 43, containing about 21,473 square feet, and the other bounded by Truman Highway, Washington street, and by a line about 100 feet south from and parallel to Faraday street, and containing approximately 297,527 square feet.

These parcels of land will be developed by the Board of Park Commissioners into one large play area in the vicinity of the veterans' housing project in the Hyde Park section of the city.

The necessary sum of $15,000 to acquire this land for playground purposes is being appropriated from the special account, "Sales of City Property," and adoption of the order is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 63 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of fifteen thousand Dollars ($15,000) be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the special account "Sales of City Property," to be expended for the purpose of acquiring by purchase, by eminent domain, or otherwise, a parcel of land bounded by Truman Highway, Washington street, and by a line from about 100 feet south and parallel to Faraday street, containing 297,527 square feet, and a second parcel of land on the southerly side of Faraday street, between numbers 19 and 43, containing about 21,473 square feet.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FOR PENSIONS AND ANNUITIES IN INCOME DEPARTMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 19, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am advised by the City Auditor that an additional appropriation of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000) will be needed for the balance of the year 1951 for pensions and annuities in the income departments.

This additional sum is necessary because of the increased number of employees pensioned under the noncontributory pension system since passage of the budget and which could not have been anticipated when the 1951 budget was submitted to the Council.

There is forwarded herewith an order appropriating the above-mentioned sum of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000) from the income of these self-supporting departments, consideration and adoption of which is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That the sum of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated for pensions and annuities in the income departments, said amount to be met from the income of said departments and any excess over income from taxes.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 16, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed requests for transfers of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are recommended for adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for 13–74, Pensions and Annuities, $25,000, to the appropriation for Unclassified, 13–42, Workmen's Compensation, $25,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Central Office, 460, Relief Payments, $120,000 to the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Central Office, 1, Personal Services, $120,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER FROM PARKMAN FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 19, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners, requesting the appropriation of $25,000 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

The 1951 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of $183,000 from the Parkman Fund. The budget allowances made provision for the appropriation of this income as it accrued for the purpose of defraying the cost of work actually performed on the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

I submit herewith an order appropriating the sum of $25,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, November 8, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners, you are respectfully asked to request the City Council to transfer from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund the sum of $25,000, which is now available, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of..... $25,000

When making up the budget estimates for the year 1951, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item 100, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1951, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of..... $25,000

Referred to the Committee on Parkman Fund.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named:

Claims.

William J. Ahern, for compensation for damage to car by truck of sanitary service.

Edith Alberino, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 63 Endicott street.

Angelo Belmonte, for compensation for injuries caused by city car.

Arthur Bernstein, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Water Department.

Mary Bogosian, for compensation for damage to property at 337 Meridian street, East Boston, caused by falling tree.

Boston Cab Company, for compensation for damage to cab by fire apparatus.

Boston Wesleyan Association, for compensation for damage to property at 581 Boylston street, caused by break in water main.

Cora Carter, for compensation for loss of clothing at City Hospital.

Josephine Caruso, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 63 Endicott street.

Mrs. D. Cibley, for compensation for damage to property at 14 Roseglen road, Hyde Park, during street construction.

John L. Collier, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Public Works Department.

Conrad & Co., Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 17–33 Winter street, caused by break in water main.

Michael Davidson, for compensation for damage to property at 11 Roseglen road, Hyde Park, during change of grade of street.

Rose DeCenzo, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1448 Dorchester avenue.

Edward Dervan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Hugh P. Doherty, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Harrison avenue and Plympton street.

Timothy D. Donahue, to be reimbursed as result of executions issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Fire Department.

Rose M. Fandel, for compensation for damage to property at 6 Aldworth street, caused by defect in road at Aldworth and Centre streets.

Sarah G. Finn, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Haymarket square.

Alvin E. Fisher, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department.

George T. Gildea, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Joseph Hohn, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

George F. Howley, for compensation for damage to property at 14 Centola street, Brighton, caused by ball thrown from playground.

Karl Karklin, to be reimbursed for loss of salary caused by fall on sidewalk on West Concord street.

Hannah Logue, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Rev. Richard A. Burke street.

Celia Lynch, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 5 Stillman street.

Mary MacQueen, to be reimbursed for hospital expenses of son, Robert MacQueen, who was hurt playing ball on Smith Field, Allston.

George L. Marcotte, for compensation for damage to property at 73 Prospect street, Hyde Park, during change of grade of sidewalk.

Dr. Louis Pinkus, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 15 Bragdon street, Roxbury.

Francis X. Sheehan, Jr., for compensation for damage to property at 247 Dana avenue, Hyde Park, caused by flooding of cellar.

Florence E. Smith, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Atlantic avenue.

Rocco Spano, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Hyde Park avenue and River street.

Lindsley R. Sterling, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Victor Stevens, for compensation for damage to property at 172 H street, caused during installation of water meter.

Frances Sutherland, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Summer street, near Washington street.

Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 618 Parker street, Roxbury, caused by backing up of sewage.

Harold Trainor, for compensation for injuries caused by city motor vehicle.

Reginald J. Vraux, for compensation for damage to car by patrol car.

Executive.

Petition of Winifred B. Buckley, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John T. Buckley, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Margaret M. Donellon, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Andrew P. Donellon, late member of Police Department.

Petition of Caroline E. McManus, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Patrick J. McManus, late member of Police Department.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Columbia Billiard Company, by Nicholas Cameles, 558 Columbia road, Dorchester, Ward 13, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

A petition for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement was received as follows:

Community Recreation Service of Boston, New England Mutual Hall, December 15 and 22.

Permit granted under ususal conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of William T. Culpin and Michael J. Feehily, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notices were received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearings to be held as follows:

Investigation by the Department of Rates and Charges of Canton and Blue Hill Bus Line, Inc., to be held December 6 at 10 A.M.

Investigation by the Department of Rates and Charges of Johnson Bus Lines, Inc., to be held on November 28 at 10 A.M.

Severally placed on file.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF WORKINGMEN'S LOAN ASSOCIATION.

Notice was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth that the Workingmen's Loan Association was dissolved June 13, 1951, by the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS IN HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Notice was received from the Health Department of the following appointments:

Patrick J. Griffin, 94 Carver street, Boston, as inspector of housing and sanitation (provisional), at $52.95 a week, effective on October 31, 1951.

Edgar Bidwell, 2010 Dorchester avenue, Dorchester, as inspector of housing and sanitation for thirty working days, effective November 14, 1951, at $52.95 a week (emergency employment).

Severally placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS IN ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.

Notice was received from the Assessing Department of the following appointments:

Edward J. Carroll, 27 Newcroft Circle, Mattapan, as permanent first assistant assessor at $62.53 a week.

Warren R. Moore, 8 North avenue, West Roxbury, as permanent first assistant assessor at $62.53 a week.

Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred October 29) of Robert C. Younken as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1952,—recommending that the appointment be confirmed.

Report of appointment by the Mayor (referred October 29) of John Keller as weigher of goods for term ending April 30, 1952,—recommending that the appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Coffey and Farin. Whole number of ballots 14, yeas 14, and the appointments were confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PERAMBULATION OF THE BOUNDARY LINES.

Coun. SHANLEY, for the Committee on Perambulation of the Boundary Lines between Boston and the cities of Revere, Everett, Somerville, and Newton and the towns of Brookline, Dedham, and Milton, submitted the following:

City Council, November 19, 1951.

The special committee appointed to examine the lines and bound marks between the City of Boston and the cities of Revere, Everett, Somerville, and Newton and the towns of Brookline, Dedham, and Milton respectfully report that they have attended to the duty with which they were charged and have examined and verified with the committees appointed by the said cities and towns the several boundaries and bound marks in the existing boundary lines.

The committee found that some boundary points were unmarked and many others inadequately marked. The Boston-Revere boundary line was originally established along the center of Belle Isle Inlet between Bennington street and Chelsea River. Most of this inlet passing through Suffolk Downs has been filled. The location of the inlet was last surveyed by Whitman & Howard, engineers for Suffolk Downs, and is shown on a plan dated January 6, 1936, signed by William J. Sullivan, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department, City of Boston. Except for two state highway bounds supposed to be set on the boundary line, one on Bennington street and one at William F. McClellan Highway, this entire boundary is unmarked. The Boston-Everett boundary likewise is poorly marked. Only one original bound was found. The locations of other boundary points are included in the engineering data of both cities and can be reproduced by surveys. The Boston-Somerville line is not well marked. The portion of the line running from Mystic street and Roland street is satisfactory. From Mystic street northeasterly only one intermediate marker exists, and from Roland street southeasterly, likewise, only one boundary point is marked.

The remaining boundary lines between Boston-Brookline, Boston-Newton, Boston-Dedham, and Boston-Milton are reasonably well marked. However, on each line, some points were found unsatisfactory.

It is the recommendation of this Committee that the Board of Street Commissioners be requested to place permanent visible markers at those boundary corners having no markers or where markers are buried or otherwise not plainly visible.

We submit herewith descriptions of the boundary lines and marks for record.

VINCENT J. SHANLEY,
JOHN J. MCCOLGAN,
Councilors.
WALTER J. MALLOY,
City Clerk.
JAMES W. HALEY,
Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department.

(The report of the committee and descriptions are contained in City Document No. 54.)

The report was accepted, and ordered printed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition (referred today) of Columbia Billiard Company, by Nicholas Cameles, 558 Columbia road, Dorchester, Ward 13, for license to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day — that same ought to pass.

Report accepted; license granted under the usual conditions.

DEATH OF WILLIAM T. MORRISSEY.

Coun. McCOLGAN and COOK offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby expresses its sincere regret at the sudden and untimely death of William T. Morrissey, a veteran of World War I and a former City of Boston career man who worked his way up from rodman to Commissioner of Public Works, resigning in 1945 to accept an appointment by Governor Tobin as Chairman of the Metropolitan District Commission, which position he held until his death and in which he gave the same high type of service and conscientious effort as he did during his thirty years' employment with the City of Boston; and be it further

Resolved, That the Boston City Council extends its deep sympathy and condolence to the members of the family of the late William T. Morrissey.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON REGINA ROAD.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the street lighting division of the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put electric lights on Regina road, Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON CORNER OF WASHINGTON STREET AND MELVILLE AVENUE.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put lights on the corner of Washington street and Melville avenue, Ward 17, Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC ISLAND IN CODMAN SQUARE.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the feasibility of putting another traffic island in Codman square, Ward 17.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INCREASED SALARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSIONER.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Resolved, Whereas George G. Hyland, Commissioner of Public Works, has given continued distinctive service to the City of Boston; and

Whereas, George G. Hyland has the experience, training, and qualifications which have been a credit to bim and the City of Boston in the performance of his duties as Public Works Commissioner; and

Whereas it is the opinion of the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, that it is in the best interests of the City of Boston that his service be retained by his Honor, Mayor John B. Hynes; be it

Resolved, In meeting assembled, that the Mayor immediately study the advisability of increasing the salary of the Public Works Commissioner of the City of Boston as his position is one that is highly technical in character and needs the qualifications which the present Public Works Commissioner, George G. Hyland, possesses; and be it further

Ordered, That copies of this resolution go to his Honor the Mayor and to the Public Works Commissioner.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

NAMING OF FRANKLIN PARK TENNIS COURT FOR EDWARD I. MINSKER.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the advisability of marking the tennis court at Franklin Park with an appropriate marker in memory of Edward I. Minsker (a veteran who distinguished himself in the service of his country, and who, as a result of injuries, died July 3, 1950) and that such area be named in his memory to perpetuate his contribution to our country.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PARKMAN FUND.

Coun. YERXA, for the Committee on Parkman Fund, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating $25,000 from income of the Parkman Fund to be expended under direction of the Park Commissioners—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Kinsella, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.

Nays—0.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Cantwell the Council voted at 2.57 P.M. to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman WENZLER at 3.24 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition of Rose M. Bradley (referred October 15) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Manassah E. Bradley, Jr., a member of the Police Department, who died in the performance of his duty—recommending passage of the following:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of two thousand one hundred and twenty-four dollars be allowed and paid to Rose M. Bradley, widow of Manassah E. Bradley, Jr., a member of the Police Department, who died on July 4, 1951, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity being made up of allowances as follows:

For the widow, Rose M. Bradley, so long as she remains unmarried—$1,500 per annum.

For the following-named children, during such time as he or she is under the age of eighteen or over said age and physically or mentally incapacitated from earning—$312 per annum:

Lynne Bradley—born August 18, 1950; Melissa Bradley—born August 2, 1951;

provided, however, that if the widow remarries the annuity for each of the said children shall be $520 during the remainder of the time aforesaid; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Report on petition of Martha E. Hodgkinson (referred July 2) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, William J. Hodgkinson, a member of the Police Department, who died in the performance of his duty—recommending passage of the following:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Martha E. Hodgkinson, widow of William J. Hodgkinson, a member of the Police Department, who died on May 6, 1951, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Report on petition of Agnes G. Hayburst (referred August 27), to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, William R. Hayburst, member of the Fire Department, who died in the performance of his duty—recommending passage of the following:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Agnes G. Hayhurst, widow of William R. Hayhurst, a member of the Fire Department, who died on August 11, 1951, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The reports were accepted, and the orders severally passed.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred October 29) for transfer of appropriation of $30,000 from the Reserve Fund to Institutions Department, Long Island Viaduct, Construction of—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 18, nays 0;

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Kinsella, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—0.

3. Report on message of the Mayor and orders (referred today) for transfers of appropriations—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the orders were severally passed, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Kinsella, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—18.

Nays—0.

4. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating $15,000 from special account "Sales of City Property" for purchase of two parcels of land in Hyde Park—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 18, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Kinsella, Lanigan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerza—18.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS ON P STREET, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to cover the cobblestones and install granolithic sidewalks on P street, from East Fourth street to East Sixth street, Ward 6.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

"SLOW" SIGN AND PAINTING CROSSWALKS, F AND WEST FIFTH STREETS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install "Slow" signs and paint white crosswalk lines at the corner of F and West Fifth streets, Ward 6.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

FLAG ON CITY POINT FLAGPOLE.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Metropolitan District Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place a good-sized American flag on the pole at City Point where there is none at present.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

WALK ON NORTHERLY SIDE OF AQUARIUM.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to place a proper surface on the walk on the northerly side of the Aquarium, South Boston.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ARC LIGHT AT EAST BROADWAY AND N STREET.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an arc light on the northwest corner of East Broadway and N street, Ward 6.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

DEATH OF FREDERIC W. COOK.

Coun. HANNON and BANKS offered the following:
Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston, in meeting assembled, expresses its deep regret at the passing of Frederic W. Cook, former Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, who, for half a century, was recognized and renowned as a high-principled gentleman of exemplary habits and profound knowledge and ability.
The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

SALE OF GREASE PAINT TO CHILDREN.

Coun. RAMSEY offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor contact the State Fire Marshal and the Fire and Police Commissioners of the City of Boston to investigate the use of grease paint sold to the children in such cases as Halloween, and other such times as children have use for it, insofar as it is highly inflammable material and that a child in Ward 15, Dorchester, did purchase from a variety store said grease paint, and received some terrible burns about the face and hands.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Cook the Council voted that when it adjourned it be to meet on Monday, December 3, 1951, at 2 P.M.

WIDENING OF JUNCTION OF CLAYMONT TERRACE AND NEPONSET AVENUE.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Board of Street Commissioners to take immediate steps to widen the junction of Claymont terrace and Neponset avenue, Ward 16.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

MISSING BOUNDARY MARKS.

Coun. SHANLEY and McCOLGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to establish bound marks and place permanent visible markers at those boundary corners having no markers or where markers are buried or otherwise not plainly visible, as recommended by the report of the Committee on Perambulation of the Boundary Lines between Boston and the adjacent cities and towns of Revere, Everett, Somerville, Newton, Brookline, Dedham, and Milton.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

PAYMENT OF SUM OF MONEY TO JOHN GRANDE.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That chapter 737 of the Acts of 1951, entitled "An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Pay a Sum of Money to John Grande," be, and the same hereby is, adopted.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

REPLACING OF TREES.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Park Commissioner to replace all trees that have been taken down, or will be taken down, with new trees when requested by the adjacent landowners.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. McCOLGAN, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:
Report on petition of Herman Carp (referred October 15) to be reimbursed in amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners—recommending passage of the accompanying order, viz.:
Ordered, That the sum of three hundred seventy-nine dollars and ten cents ($379.10) be allowed and paid to Herman Carp in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.
The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

Adjourned at 3.45 P.M., on motion of Councilor Kinsella, to meet on Monday, December 3, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, December 3, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Coffey and Lane.

The Reverend Joseph J. Boyle of St. Gregory's Roman Catholic Church, Dorchester, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. JOSEPH J. BOYLE.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. O Lord God Almighty, Father Eternal, we beg at this closing session of this year 1951, to give to this Council assembled the wisdom that they may add to their knowledge which is Thine, to do justice to themselves as well as to do what is fair to the City of Boston. In all they do, may they so act that they may be a credit to themselves and to their fellow men as well as to the fair city of Boston. Give to their families knowledge to act to the best of their ability following their consciences. Give to all assembled such fortitude, courage, and deep faith in following Thy direction, heeding Thy counsel, and answering Thy admonitions, so that their decisions here today may reflect courage in them and glory on the city as well as upon those who elect them in office. We ask these things in the name of Our Lord, God Father Almighty, now here watching our every action.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

Coun. BANKS in the chair.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Wenzler presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Twenty-two grand jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear January 7, 1952:

Anthony Bottaro, Ward 1; Charles J. Manning, Ward 1; Francis Ferry, Ward 2; Raymond M. Burgess, Ward 3; Harry Bucks, Ward 5; Roland J. Bishop, Ward 6; George H. Alberts, Ward 8; John J. Donahue, Ward 8; Elmer L. Taylor, Ward 9; Warren J. Hyder, Ward 10; Harry Glazer, Ward 11; Robert R. Macauley, Ward 11. Herman Bressler, Ward 12; Samuel L. Franks, Ward 12; Arthur C. Bluestein, Ward 14; Harold L. Ritchie, Ward 14; John R. MacDonald, Ward 15; Andrew Larson, Ward 18; William A. Simmons, Ward 18; Patrick F. O'Shea, Ward 21; Wilbur R. Book, Ward 22; George F. Richards, Jr., Ward 22.

Fifty-three traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear January 7, 1952:

Robert Kirley, Ward 1; John F. Shea, Ward 2; Giles Joseph Cooper, Ward 4; Harold G. Luseomb, Ward 4; Pemberton H. Whitney, Ward 4; Saul D. Dorfman, Ward 5; Howard S. Harris, Ward 5; John H. Sterris, Ward 5; William J. Vernon, Ward 5; Paul Richard Kelly, Ward 6; Charles C. Parker, Ward 6; James J. Buckley, Jr., Ward 7; John J. Conlon, Ward 7; Lawrence F. Curley, Ward 7; Robert J. Kehoe, Ward 7; Henry V. Smith, Ward 7; Alexander Andrews, Ward 8; George E. Driscoll, Ward 8; James R. Jones, Ward 8; George J. Milkey, Ward 8; Walter E. Allanbrook, Ward 9; William S. Lewis, Ward 9; Edward F. McGran, Ward 9; Milton A. Paige, Ward 9; John T. Gillis, Ward 10; David G. Linehan, Ward 10; Benjamin Tanner, Ward 10; Louis Rutman, Ward 11; Edward J. Rogers, Ward 13; Marion L. Cook, Ward 14; Bessie Seliher, Ward 14; Samuel Steiman, Ward 14; Charles R. Conway, Ward 15; Cornelius Doherty, Ward 15; Josephine Egner, Ward 15; Joseph N. Nickerson, Ward 15; George St. Thomas, Ward 15; Squire W. Stephens, Ward 15; Agnes R. Tohin, Ward 15; Joseph J. Vaughan, Ward 15; Milton R. Brickhill, Ward 16; Max Hoffman, Ward 16; Edward W. Byrnes, Ward 17; Harold D. Armstrong, Ward 18; LeRoy M. Burns, Ward 19; Norman A. Thistle, Ward 19; George J. Crawford, Ward 20; Walter H. Salvi, Ward 20; William H. Sharp, Ward 20; John H. Fanning, Ward 21; Ernest S. Fitzpatrick, Ward 21; Robert G. Joyce, Ward 21; George E. Meyers, Ward 22.

One hundred forty-five traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear January 7, 1952:

Edward Cavicchi, Ward 1; William J. Coffey, Ward 1; Charles Cravotta, Ward 1; Anthony DiGirolamo, Ward 1; Edgar J. Landry, Ward 1; Richard P. Morse, Ward 1; Donald Orr, Ward 1; Robert Puleo, Ward 1; Dorothy C. MacLoon, Ward 2; James Murphy, Ward 2; Patrick J. O'Hare, Ward 2; Leo A. Saccardo, Ward 2; Michael J. Caso, Ward 3; Samuel Ensoff, Ward 3; Harry V. Liuzza, Ward 3; Isadore Navisky, Ward 3; Joseph F. Venuti, Ward 3; Agnes J. Cronin, Ward 4; Anna M. Darcey, Ward 4; George R. MacPhail, Ward 4; Katherine F. McGovern, Ward 4; Paul Connolly, Ward 5; George Hale Lowe, 3d, Ward 5; Peter Popowych, Ward 5; William N. Branagan, Ward 6; Joseph O. Brunet, Ward 6; Charles M. Ferris, Ward 6; Herbert J. Lane, Ward 6; Daniel J. Logan, Ward 6; Alice McDonald, Ward 6; John Ridge, Ward 6; Francis R. Waddleton, Ward 6; John F. Duffy, Ward 7; John J. Fitzgerald, Ward 7; Peter P. Morris, Ward 7; James J. O'Brien, Ward 7; Catherine Quilty, Ward 7; John M. Quirke, Ward 7; Earl L. Truett, Ward 7; Arthur J. Lynch, Ward 8; James Splaine, Ward 8; James F. Collins, Ward 9; Roger E. Haskins, Ward 9; Samuel M. Sheperd, Jr., Ward 9; Richard H. Soule, Ward 9; George A. Steen, Ward 9; Charles A. French, Ward 10; Peter W. Harrington, Ward 10; Dennis McCarthy, Ward 10; John W. McElroy, Jr., Ward 10; Gertrude T. Silve, Ward 10; Herbert E. Winslow, Ward 10; E. Herbert Bamherry, Ward 11; Bernard Albert Bower, Ward 11; William F. Craven, Ward 11; Margaret Hamilton, Ward 11; Louis F. Kelley, Ward 11; Thomas A. Lindsay, Ward 11; John J. Moroney, Ward 11; Francis J. Neill, Ward 11; Frank G. Townsend, Ward 11.

Philip Bilansky, Ward 12; Samuel Feinstein, Ward 12; David Gillette, Ward 12; Charles H. Inman, Ward 12; Herman Perlmutter, Ward 12; Walter A. Thihou, Ward 12; James F. Connor, Ward 13; Michael J. Flynn, Ward 13; George D. Rose, Ward 13; Louis Rosenthal, Ward 13; Erwin Rossman, Ward 13; Henry L. Sheehan, Ward 13; E. Warren Sweeney, Ward 13; James L. Backaler, Ward 14; David Grossman, Ward 14; Joseph E. Harris, Ward 14; George A. Richards, Ward 14; M. Gertrude Riley, Ward 14; Theodore J. Vignaux, Ward 14; Raymond Zinkowski, Ward 14; James A. Dowd, Ward 15; Thomas F. Ducey, Jr., Ward 15; Everett R. Fletcher, Ward 15; Thomas J. Nolan, Ward 15; Augusto B. Pimentel, Ward 15; John J. Walsh, Jr., Ward 15; James P. Edward, Ward 16; Louis C. Marshall, Ward 16; Joseph A. Neeley, Ward 16; Edward J. Sherman, Ward 16; Marie A. Bulens, Ward 17; Paul B. Daleo, Ward 17; Robert Deans, Ward 17; Philip C. Green, Ward 17; Joseph L. Hourihan, Ward 17; Robert J. Keif, Ward 17; Henry C. Liverman, Ward 17; William J. McGee, Ward 17; William G. O'Connell, Jr., Ward 17; Anthony D. Tieso, Ward 17; Rocco J. Aprea, Ward 18; Adelmo P. Barelli, Ward 18; Henry Bird, Ward 18; Francis Carney, Ward 18; Edward P. Connerney, Ward 18; Ludger P. Doucette, Ward 18; Wallace R. Essery, Ward 18; Fred F. Gordon, Ward 18; Henry F. Hurd, Ward 18; Joseph L. Kennedy, Ward 18; Joseph A. McCahe, Ward 18; Thomas A. Madden, Ward 18; John Meadows, Ward 18; Donald E. Munroe, Ward 18; Arthur P. Norton, Ward 18; Edward M. White, Ward 18; Leslie M. Williams, Ward 18; William G. Bishop, Ward 19; Thomas F. Casey, Ward 19; Irene Francis, Ward 19; Ralph H. Gleason, Ward 19; Charles Kenneth Joy, Ward 19; George W. Masters, Ward 19; Thomas I. Molloy, Ward 19; Stephen Yarosh, Ward 19; Robert K. Cox, Ward 20; Edgar Jurgenson, Ward 20; John H. MacKay, Ward 20; John N. Maloof, Ward 20; Robert Patterson, Ward 20; John J.

Sheridan, Jr., Ward 20; Anne E. Whoriskey, Ward 20; John F. Bassett, Ward 21; George L. Blaine, Ward 21; John H. Carroll, Ward 21; James G. Moulton, Ward 21; Raymond St. Cyr, Ward 21; George A. Chalmers, Ward 22; Edward Goguen, Ward 22; Katherine R. Graham, Ward 22; David M. McIver, Ward 22; Robert F. Mahoney, Ward 22; Robert Oliver Mercer, Ward 22; George F. Vadala, Ward 22.

RECESS.

The Chair declared a short recess at 2.46 P.M., and the Councilors reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by Chairman BANKS at 3.08 P.M.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointments:

Weighers of Coal for the term ending April 30, 1952:

Leon Frank, 315 Mason terrace, Brookline; Samuel Schneider, 64 Fayston street, Roxbury; James A. White, 34 Buswell street, Boston; Isabelle C. Abdon, 230 Maverick street, East Boston.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

RESIGNATION OF MICHAEL J. FEEHILY.

Notice was received from the Mayor of the resignation of Michael J. Feehily as a constable.

Placed on file.

VETO OF ORDER FOR ANNUITY TO ROSE M. BRADLEY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith disapproved the order passed by your Honorable Body on November 19, 1951, purporting to provide for the payment of a certain annuity to Mrs. Rose M. Bradley.

My objection thereto is that the death of the individual involved was not the natural and proximate result of an accident occurring, or of undergoing a hazard peculiar to his employment, while he was acting in the performance and scope of his duty, and so the prerequisites of G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 32, s. 89A, as amended, under which the order purports to have been passed, have not been met. See communication concerning the matter addressed to me under date of November 30, 1951, by Corporation Counsel William L. Baxter, a copy of which is transmitted herewith.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Law Department, November 30, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

This is in reply to your letter of November 21, 1951, asking, in effect, whether in my opinion you would be acting within the scope of your powers if you approved the order passed by the City Council on November 19, 1951, providing an annuity for the widow and children of the late Manassah E. Bradley, Jr., who at the time of his death was a member of the Boston Police Department.

G.L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 32, s. 89A, as amended, under which the aforesaid order purports to have been adopted, reads, so far as presently material, as follows:

"If an employee of the commonwealth, or of any political subdivision thereof is killed, or dies from injuries received, or dies as a natural and proximate result of undergoing a hazard peculiar to his employment, while in the performance of his duty, and it shall be proved to the satisfaction of the appropriate public authority as hereinafter defined that such death was the natural and proximate result of an accident occurring, or of undergoing a hazard peculiar to his employment, while he was acting in the performance and within the scope of his duty, and a majority of the members of a board consisting of two physicians designated by the public authority hereinafter defined, and one physician to be designated by the commissioner of public health shall certify to the treasurer of the body politic and corporate by which the compensation of such deceased person was payable, that the death was the natural and proximate result of the said injury or hazard, there shall, except as hereinafter provided, be paid out of the treasury of such body politic and corporate, to the following dependents of such deceased person the following annuities:. . . ."

In my opinion, the inescapable meaning of the words just quoted is that the annuities provided for by the statute cited are to be granted only if the employee is either killed while in the performance of duty, or dies from injuries received while in the performance of duty, or dies as a natural and proximate result of undergoing, while in the performance of duty, a hazard peculiar to his employment. According to the findings of the Justice who presided at the inquest held before the Municipal Court of the City of Boston to inquire into the cause and manner of Mr. Bradley's death, Mr. Bradley died as a result of a gunshot wound caused by the accidental discharge by him of his police revolver while he was in his own home off duty. In other words, Mr. Bradley was neither killed, nor did he die from injuries received, nor did he die as a natural and proximate result of undergoing a hazard peculiar to his employment, while in the performance of his duty.

Accordingly, it is my opinion that the above-mentioned order passed by the City Council on November 19, 1951, does not come within G.L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 32, s. 89A, as amended, and that you would not be acting within the scope of your powers if you approve such order.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM L. BAXTER,
Corporation Counsel.

Placed on file.

REPAIR OF SIDEWALK, 596 EAST SECOND STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of October 29, 1951, requesting the repairing of the sidewalk in front of 596 East Second street, Ward 6, which is in dangerous condition.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 19, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk in front of 596 East Second street, Ward 6, which is in a dangerous condition, and this will advise you that the reconstruction of the sidewalk at the above-named location was completed November 15, 1951, by the local paving service district forces.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS ON P STREET, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of November 19, 1951, requesting the covering of the cobblestones and installing of granolithic sidewalks on P street, from East Fourth street to East Sixth street, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
November 26, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works cover the cobblestones and install granolithic sidewalks on P street, from East Fourth street to East Sixth street, Ward 6, and this will advise you that it is now too late in the season to undertake the work this year, but this will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the year 1952.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

SALARIES OF CITY HOSPITAL ORDERLIES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Superintendent of the Boston City Hospital relative to your order of October 29, 1951, requesting that the advisability be studied of increasing the salaries of the orderlies at the Boston City Hospital.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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The Boston City Hospital,
November 15, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held on November 9, the following order of the City Council was presented:

"Ordered, That the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the advisability of increasing the salaries of the orderlies at the Boston City Hospital."

The city is now in the process of reclassifying all employees, and this will be taken up when general increases are considered.

Sincerely yours,
JAMES W. MANARY,
Superintendent.

Placed on file.

INCREASED NURSING STAFF, CITY HOSPITAL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Superintendent of the Boston City Hospital relative to your order of October 29, 1951, requesting that an emergency meeting be held to determine the plan that will bring about an additional nursing staff; otherwise a very acute shortage of nurses will develop at the Boston City Hospital due to the opening of the Veterans Hospital in Roxbury.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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The Boston City Hospital,
November 15, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held on November 9, the following order of the City Council was presented:

"Ordered, That the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to hold an emergency meeting to determine a plan that will bring about an additional nursing staff; otherwise a very acute shortage of nurses will develop at the Boston City Hospital due to the opening of the Veterans Hospital in Roxbury."

The Trustees and the School of Nursing are making every attempt to obtain additional nurses at the hospital. Although we do have vacancies at the present time, the work is being adequately covered with subsidiary help.

Sincerely yours,
JAMES W. MANARY,
Superintendent.

Placed on file.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS BY CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Acting Secretary to the Overseers of the Public Welfare relative to your order of October 29, 1951, requesting them to discontinue the practice of requiring regularly assigned civil service employees to file a financial statement in order to establish the hardship of their case before being considered for salary after having used the limit of sick leave.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Overseers of the Public Welfare,
November 28, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Attention: Mr. Thomas Shannon.

Dear Sir:

The Overseers of the Public Welfare in the City of Boston have received notification of the following order of the City Council, which was passed October 29, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Overseers of Public Welfare be directed by his Honor the Mayor to immediately discontinue the practice of requiring regularly assigned civil service employees to file a financial statement in order to establish the hardship of their case before being considered for salary after having used the limit of sick leave."

With regard to said order, the Overseers wish to advise you that employees are not required to file a financial statement in order to establish hardship in their cases before being given consideration for salary after having used the limit of sick leave.

Very truly yours,
DANIEL A. MURPHY,
Acting Secretary.

Placed on file.

SALE OF GREASE PAINT TO CHILDREN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Fire Commissioner relative to your order of November 19, 1951, requesting an investigation into the use of grease paint sold to children in such cases as Halloween, and at other such times as children have use for it, insofar as it is highly inflammable material.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Fire Department, November 28, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

Enclosed herewith is a report from the Fire Prevention Division of our department with reference to your communication dated November 21, 1951. This report is self-explanatory, and I trust that it will provide the information desired.

Very truly yours,
MICHAEL T. KELLEHER,
Fire Commissioner.

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From: Fire Prevention Division.
To: The Fire Commissioner.
Subject: Memo from the Office of the Mayor re Inflammable Grease Paint.

Pursuant to the attached memo from the office of the Mayor, the following information is herewith submitted.

There was no grease paint involved in the accident mentioned in the communications. The burns resulted from ignition of the child's dress, made by her mother, and were in no way connected with the Halloween observance.

I have spoken with Councilor Ramsey, who now finds that he was misinformed and requests that the matter be dropped.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD MONTGOMERY,
Deputy Chief in Charge,
Fire Prevention Division.

Placed on file.

ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC ISLAND IN CODMAN SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of November 19, 1951, requesting a study of the advisability of putting another traffic island in Codman square, Ward 17.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
November 28, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of November 19, 1951, requesting a study of the advisability of putting up another traffic island in Codman square, Ward 17, I wish to report that we have recently relocated the entire signal system in Codman square.

At that time we made a study of constructing channelizing islands to help the movement of traffic and to control safety for pedestrians.

We considered placing an island in the throat of Washington street at the southerly end of Codman square, but we did not follow through with the idea because it appeared that it would constrict the traffic, reducing it to one lane in either direction, which would not be sufficient to take care of the demand.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENTS AT P AND EAST FIFTH STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of November 19, 1951, requesting the installation of "Slow" signs and the painting of white crosswalk lines at the corner of P and East Fifth streets, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
November 28, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

Regarding Council order dated November 19, 1951, requesting the installation of "Slow" signs and crosswalk lines at the corner of P and East Fifth streets, Ward 6, I wish to report that our painting schedule has been completed for the year, and the temporary painters employed annually left our service on November 1 according to custom.

We already have a "Slow" sign in P street approaching East Fifth street, and we will not be able at this time of the year to install the crosswalk lines, as weather conditions will prevent anything of a semipermanent character being established at this time.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT WASHINGTON STREET AND MELVILLE AVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of November 19, 1951, requesting the placement of lights on the corner of Washington street and Melville avenue, in Ward 17, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
November 29, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order of November 19, 1951, requesting the installation of traffic lights on the corner of Washington street and Melville avenue, in Ward 17, Dorchester, I submit the following report.

Two accidents occurred at this location on November 5 and on November 17. The accident on November 5 involved a man seventy-one years old, killed by a passenger car going south on Washington street, approaching Melville avenue. The driver of the car was a woman sixty-eight years old.

A previous accident near the intersection involved a boy five years old who dashed across Washington street and was struck by a bus. These are the only two accidents involving personal injuries that have occurred at Melville avenue and Washington street, according to the records of the Police Department or the Traffic Commission.

An accident which occurred on November 17 consisted of a trackless trolley, which was stopped in front of 533 Washington street, being struck by a driver of a passenger car in the rear. The driver of the passenger car in question was fined $75 for drunken driving.

In view of these circumstances it does not appear that traffic signal lights would have prevented them, and these three incidents appear to be the sum total of the accident record for the area during a considerable period of time.

Consultation with the police officials of the district supports the view that since the intersection of Melville avenue and Washington street is open, providing a view of several hundred feet in either direction for motorists approaching the intersection, the need for signalization does not appear to be as pressing as that of other sections of Dorchester and other parts of the city where much more hazardous conditions exist.

In accordance with the resources at our disposal for traffic lights throughout the city we are restricted by the fact that the available appropriations do not provide enough for us to catch up on all the previously neglected intersections which need traffic lights.

We have been able to install about forty signal lights a year, but we have not yet completed the program, which should cover the most congested and most dangerous intersections.

We believe that it is our duty to provide for such intersections, and with that in mind it is necessary for us, in many cases such as this one, to report with regret that we are unable to comply with the wishes of some petitioners.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF TENNIS COURT IN HONOR OF EDWARD I. MINSKER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of November 19, 1951, requesting the studying of the advisability of naming the tennis court at Franklin Park with an appropriate marker in memory of Edward I. Minsker, a veteran who distinguished himself in the service of his country,

and who, as a result of injuries, died July 3, 1950, and that such area be named in his memory to perpetuate his contribution to our country.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, November 26, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting a study of the advisability of naming the tennis court at Franklin Park in memory of Edward I. Minsker.

This matter will be taken under consideration, in conformance with rules and regulations of the Park Commission relative to naming park and playground areas after individuals.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REPLACING TREES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of November 19, 1951, requesting the replacement of all trees that have been taken down, or will be taken down, with new trees when requested by the adjacent landowners.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, November 26, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order asking that wherever old trees are taken down throughout the city that the Park Department arrange to replace them with new trees.

This matter will have our earnest consideration.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

SURFACING OF WALK AT AQUARIUM.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Park Commissioner relative to your order of November 19, 1951, requesting the placement of a proper surface on the walk on the northerly side of the aquarium, South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, November 26, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting that a proper surface walk be constructed on the northerly side of the aquarium, South Boston.

This matter has been referred to the chief engineer for his consideration.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

INCREASING PENSIONS OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith an order for the acceptance of chapter 781 of the Acts of 1951. In the cities which accept it, this act authorizes an increase of $100 in the pensions or retirement allowances of employees retired prior to November 1, 1949, with 15 years of service and now receiving less than $2,000 a year; and an increase to $1,200 of those retired after 25 years of service and now receiving less than $1,200. It also benefits those employees who retired between October 1, 1946, and November 1, 1949, and who did not share in the three increases granted in the last five years.

During the last two years I have been very much disturbed over the situation of those retired employees whose pensions are in the lower brackets, especially as no halt seems to be in sight in the rising cost of living.

Many of them were retired on pensions that, at the time of retirement, were barely sufficient to meet their living expenses, and they now find that the purchasing power of their pensions has been materially reduced.

Nearly every one would admit that it is desirable and justifiable to increase these pensions, but the pension legislation is such a hodgepodge that it is extremely difficult to accomplish it without involving many inconsistencies and without too much of a burden on the city's finances.

While the act submitted is not entirely free from objections it has the merit of taking care, to a large extent, of those pensioners who now find themselves in a precarious situation and presents a fairly reasonable step in the solution of the problem.

I feel assured that the City Council and the people generally will agree that it is incumbent on the city to take this action to assist the pensioners, and I recommend the passage of the order at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That chapter 781 of the Acts of 1951, entitled, "AN ACT Relative to Increasing the Amounts of Pensions and Retirement Allowances Payable to Certain Former Public Employees," be, and hereby is, accepted by the City Council of Boston, acting in behalf of the city and the County of Suffolk.

On motion of Councilor Hannon the rules were suspended and the order was passed.

SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICIALS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 30, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I forward herewith an amendment to the ordinances of the City of Boston concerning certain salaries of certain department officials.

It is a matter of common knowledge that present-day salaries for the department officials are not, in many cases, attractive. As a consequence, the city government can neither retain, nor persuade other competent persons to accept positions of wide responsibility. Therefore, at the present time, I am recommending that the salaries of the City Auditor, the Corporation Counsel, the Building Commissioner, the Budget Commissioner, the Public Works Commissioner, and the Fire Commissioner be increased.

The salary schedule of other department heads will be adjusted at the time of the acceptance of the general compensation and classification plans. The survey now being made will also include recommendations applying to these other positions, and these recommendations will be forwarded to your Honorable Body in due time.

I recommend the prompt adoption of the accompanying ordinance.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston.
In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-one.

An Ordinance Concerning Salaries of Certain Officials.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section five of chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as most recently amended by chapters 4 and 5 of the Ordinances of 1951, is hereby further amended as follows:

In the clause establishing the salary of the budget commissioner, by striking out the words "seventy-seven hundred and sixty" and inserting in place thereof the words "nine thousand."

In the clause establishing the salary of the building commissioner, by striking out the words "ninety-two hundred and sixty" and inserting in place thereof the words "ten thousand five hundred."

In the clause establishing the salary of the city auditor, by striking out the words "eighty-six hundred and sixty" and inserting in place thereof the words "ten thousand nine hundred," and in the same clause by striking out the words "ten thousand two hundred and sixty" and inserting in place thereof the words "twelve thousand five hundred."

In the clause establishing the salary of the corporation counsel, by striking out the words "ten thousand seven hundred and sixty" and inserting in place thereof the words "twelve thousand five hundred."

In the clause establishing the salary of the fire commissioner, by striking out the words "ninety-seven hundred and sixty" and inserting in place thereof the words "twelve thousand."

In the clause establishing the salary of the public works commissioner, by striking out the words "ninety-seven hundred and sixty" and inserting in place thereof the words "twelve thousand."

Sect. 2. Section one of this ordinance shall take effect on December 5, 1951. This section shall take effect upon its passage.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed requests for transfer of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are recommended for adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Boston Traffic Commission, Supplies and Materials, $4,000, Signal Equipment, $3,000, to the appropriation for Boston Traffic Commission, Personal Services, $7,000.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Associate Medical Examiner, Southern Division, Contractual Services, $275, to the appropriation for Associate Medical Examiner, Southern Division, Personal Services, $275.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Boston Retirement Board, Personal Services, $2,145, to the appropriation for State-Boston Retirement System Expense Fund, $2,145.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, Personal Services, $40,000, to the appropriation for Election Department, Personal Services, $40,000.

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Building Department, Personal Services, $14,300, to the appropriation for Boston Traffic Commission, Personal Services, $14,300.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SALE OF SURPLUS PIGS, DEER ISLAND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of communication from the Penal Institutions Commissioner, attached herewith, requesting authority to sell one hundred (100) pigs at a price of approximately two thousand dollars ($2,000).

I am in favor of the sale of these surplus pigs to the highest bidder and respectfully request approval of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Penal Institutions Department,
November 26, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Sir:

We have a surplus of one hundred (100) pigs at the House of Correction, Deer Island, which we would like to sell. These pigs weigh about one hundred twenty-five (125) pounds each, a total of twelve thousand five hundred (12,500) pounds.

At the present market price this department should receive approximately two thousand dollars ($2,000) from this sale. If approved it is our intention to advertise this sale in the *City Record* and sell to the highest bidder, with a representative of the Sealer of Weights and Measures Department to supervise the weighing.

Authority by the City Council and your Honor's approval of this public sale is respectfully requested.

Very truly yours,
Edward L. Friel,
Penal Institutions Commissioner.

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Ordered, That the Penal Institutions Commissioner is hereby authorized to sell to the highest bidder one hundred (100) surplus pigs at the House of Correction, Deer Island.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FROM INCOME OF PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 3, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am submitting herewith an appropriation order for $50,000 to provide sufficient funds for the operation of the Printing Department for the balance of the year. The major portion of this appropriation is necessary because of the increased costs of printing, binding, and ruling furnished the city departments. The balance is necessary to provide funds for emergency repairs on passenger and freight elevators, the purchase of parts for complete overhauling of monotype equipment and for other emergency replacements which could not have been anticipated in the original budget.

I recommend passage of this order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes Mayor.

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Ordered, That to meet the current expenses payable during the financial year beginning with the first day of January, 1951, an additional sum

of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the income of the Printing Department for the following purposes. Any excess of expenditures over income shall be met from taxes.

2.	Contractual Services	$39,390
3.	Supplies and Materials	10,110
5.	Equipment	
	510. Electrical and Mechanical Machinery and Equipment	500
		$50,000

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FOR PURCHASE OF LAND IN HYDE PARK.

Coun. CANTWELL called up under unfinished business No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for appropriation of $15,000 for purchase of two parcels of land in Hyde Park.

On November 19, 1951, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 18, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 19, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—19.

Nays—0.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Ace Vacuum Stores, Inc., for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

B. Earle Appleton, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

James W. Brennan, for compensation for loss of dental plate while patient at City Hospital.

Al Cerrione, for compensation for damage to property and loss of business at 3 Robert street, Roslindale, caused by defective catch basin.

Elise E. Chinn, for compensation for loss of false teeth while patient at City Hospital.

Lillian Dressler, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at P street, near Broadway.

Easton Oil, for compensation for damages to truck by falling branch of tree.

Joseph Fagone, for compensation for damage to property at 60 White street, East Boston, caused by falling branch of tree.

Thomas J. Flaherty, for compensation for damage to property at 19 Alabama street, caused by water being shut off.

William Flanagan, for compensation for damage to property at 590 East Eighth street, caused by falling limbs of tree.

Thomas Flanzbaum, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Ballou avenue, Dorchester.

Milton L. Mahar, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Charles J. McCoy, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Sanitary Division.

Michael F. McGinley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Cornelius S. Oppelaar, for compensation for damage to property at 17 Bodwell street, caused by faulty sewerage.

Parkway Taxi Company, for compensation for damage to property caused by city truck.

Walter M. Perry, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by city truck.

William Quigg, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Harriet Randall, for compensation for damage to car by X-ray bus.

Raymond J. Reed, for compensation for injuries by city truck.

Edward J. Rosebach, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Mary Scanlon, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Althea and Centre streets, Dorchester.

Seymour Motor Sales Company, for compensation for damage to property at 1272–1280 Boylston street, during resurfacing.

Sonco, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 50 Osceola street, Mattapan, by water.

Studio Shop, for compensation for damage to merchandise at 557 Boylston street.

Stephen J. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Canterbury Street Bridge.

Joseph Trayers, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of School Committee.

Florence A. Trotman, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 71 Quincy street, Roxbury.

Guy J. Vicini, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Sally Warwick, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1051 Adams street, Dorchester.

A. I. Zonis, for compensation for damage to property at 298 Roxbury street, caused by water line being left open.

William G. Carpenter, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Abraham Hirshberg, for compensation for damage to car caused by being splashed by water in Sumner Tunnel.

Executive.

Petition of Annie Collins, to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, Joseph H. Collins, late member of the Fire Department.

Petition of Mary V. Hunt, to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, John L. Hunt, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Mary E. Connelly, to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, Francis W. Connelly, late member of Police Department.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

A petition for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement was received as follows:

Harold A. DeMund, Jordan Hall, January 25, 1952.

The permit was granted under the usual conditions.

NOTICE FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Health determining the contaminated shellfish areas in Boston Harbor.

Placed on file.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notices of hearings to be held before the Department of Public Utilities were received as follows:

Hearing to be held December 13, 1951, at 2.15 P.M., on petition of City of Boston for approval of schedule of tolls established by Department of Public Works for use of Sumner Tunnel.

Hearing to be held December 13, 1951, at 10 A.M., on petition of Kenneth Hudson, doing business as Hudson Bus Lines, for transfer and assignment of certificates of public convenience.

Hearing to be held December 14, 1951, at 10 A.M., on petition of Airways Transportation Company for modifications of restrictions as to type of vehicles to be operated.

Hearing to be held December 17, 1951, at 10.15 A.M., on investigation by the department as to rates and charges of New England Telephone & Telegraph Company.

Hearing to be held December 14, 1951, at 10 A.M., on petition of Service Bus Line, Inc., for certificate of public convenience for operation of motor vehicles in East Boston and Revere.

Severally placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditures by Boston Housing Authority in amount of $762 for extra compensation to the architect on the Columbia road, chapter 372, veterans' housing project.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Robert C. Younken, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved.

ABSENCE OF MAYOR FROM CITY.

Notice was received from the Mayor of his absence from the city from November 23 to November 26, inclusive.
Placed on file.

TRANSIENT VENDOR'S LICENSE.

Notice was received of the issuance by the City Clerk of a transient vendor's license to Edward P. Fewer for the sale of books and kitchenware at Hotel Touraine, Boylston street.
A bond of the Massachusetts Bonding and Insurance Company for $500 was received.
Severally placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF O. PHILIP SNOWDEN.

Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of O. Philip Snowden, 88 Harold street, Roxbury, to be member of Board of Recreation for term ending January 3, 1955, vice Henry L. Shattuck, resigned.
Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF THOMAS A. CRONIN.

Notice was received from the Board of Commissioners of School Buildings of appointment of Thomas A. Cronin as member of Board of Commissioners of School Buildings for the term ending December 1, 1954.
Placed on file.

ELECTION OF DOROTHEA C. MORRIS.

Notice was received from the Trustees of the Permanent School Pension Fund that at a meeting of the Trustees held November 19, 1951, Dorothea C. Morris was duly elected secretary pro tempore.
Placed on file.

RESURFACING OF ARION STREET.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Commissioner of Public Works to resurface Arion street in Ward 13.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION RE INCREASED PENSIONS.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:
Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to draft a bill for presentation to the 1952 Legislature which will provide that pensioned employees of the City of Boston will receive the benefits of any salary increases granted to that classification of employees from which they were pensioned.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Cook the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet again on Monday, December 17, 1951, at 2 P.M. Yeas 9, nays 8:
Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Chase, Cook, Hannon, Hurley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Yerxa—9.
Nays—Councilors Beades, Farin, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, Wenzler—8.

REFUND OF SUM OF MONEY TO JACOB BANKOFF.

Coun. ANSEL and HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the sum of $2,010, which was paid to the City of Boston in 1946, under the rules of the Boston Police Department, by Jacob Bankoff in reimbursement for salary paid to him when hospitalized and incapacitated as a result of injuries sustained through the negligence of an automobile operator while said Bankoff was in the performance of his duty as a member of said Police Department, be refunded to him, inasmuch as this rule was abolished shortly thereafter.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

INCREASED WATTAGE FOR STREET LIGHTING.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to include in his budget a sum sufficient to increase the wattage of electric light bulbs now used in street lighting to 150 watts, in order to provide adequate lighting.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPLACING OF ALL GAS LAMPS BY ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Public Works Commissioner to include in his budget a sum sufficient to replace all the existing gas lamps with electric lights, and, if this is not possible, that a bond issue be authorized in a sum sufficient to cover 100 per cent replacement.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

APPROPRIATION FOR SOCIAL LAW LIBRARY.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That there be allowed and paid to the proprietors of the Social Law Library the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) for the maintenance and enlargement of said library, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for County of Suffolk, Social Law Library.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

OVERTIME COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN POLICE OFFICERS.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested through his Honor the Mayor, to give his opinion as to whether or not a police officer of the City of Boston is entitled to overtime compensation under chapter 426 of the Acts of 1949, when he is required to perform any service beyond his regular established hours of service on any holiday mentioned in chapter 135 of the Acts of 1948.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT DENNIS AND MORELAND STREETS.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Traffic Commissioner be requested to consider the advisability of traffic signal lights at the intersection of Dennis and Moreland streets, Ward 8.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

PLAYGROUND AT POPLAR AND CANTERBURY STREETS.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his honor the Mayor, to include in its budget for 1952 sufficient funds to provide for the establishment of a playground on the vacant land at the corner of Poplar and Canterbury streets, Roslindale, in the Ward 19 section, in compliance with two previous orders which I have introduced concerning this site, which has been recommended by the City Planning Board as suitable for a playground.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING OF WASHINGTON STREET.

Coun. BRYAN, McCORMACK, and CANTWELL offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Washington street, from the Forest Hills terminal to the West Roxbury Parkway, Wards 18, 19, and 20.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CONGRATULATIONS AND DINNER TO BOSTON COLLEGE FOOTBALL SQUAD.

Coun. P. A. TRACY and F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, extends its hearty congratulations to the members of the Boston College football squad and their coaches for their splendid victory over Holy Cross College last Saturday; and be it further

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor tender a victory dinner and reception to the Boston College football squad and its coaches.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

CLOSING OF BASEMENTS IN OLD HARBOR VILLAGE PROJECT.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Boston Housing Authority to close the basements in the Old Harbor Village Project and install facilities for outside drying of clothes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

MODERN ELECTRIC LIGHTS FOR OLD HARBOR VILLAGE PROJECT.

Coun. McCOLGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Boston Housing Authority to replace the antiquated electric lights in the Old Harbor Village Project with modern electric lights.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CERTAIN INSURANCE ON OPEN-AIR PARKING SPACES.

Coun. McCOLGAN and F. P. TRACEY offered the following:

An Ordinance.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

SECTION 1. That all operators of open-air parking spaces in the City of Boston be required to carry insurance against damage and theft on all automobiles parked in their custody, such insurance to be satisfactory to the Board of Street Commissioners.

SECTION 2. That licenses to operate open-air parking spaces be refused unless the applicants comply with this requirement.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

REFUNDING OF CERTAIN MONEY PAID BY WELFARE RECIPIENTS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Overseers of Public Welfare be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to investigate the laxity in the Old Age Assistance Division in refunding money paid by recipients for doctors' bills and medicines which has been overdue for a period of from six months to a year and as a result of which these recipients have been forced to deprive themselves of food and heat.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS ON WATSON STREET.

Coun. BANKS offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the "No Parking" restrictions on the east side of Watson street, Ward 9.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING OF WARWICK STREET.

Coun. BANKS offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Warwick street, Ward 9.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Cook the Council voted to take a recess at 4 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman BANKS at 4.40 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and ordinance (referred today) re salaries of certain department officials—recommending reference to the Committee on Ordinances.

The report was accepted, and the ordinance was referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for sale of surplus pigs by Penal Institutions Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

3. Report on message of the Mayor and orders (referred today) for transfers of appropriations—that the several orders ought to pass.

4. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for appropriation of $50,000 to Printing Department from Printing Department income—that same ought to pass.

The reports were accepted and the question came on the passage of the several orders. The orders were severally passed, yeas 14, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Chase, Cook, Farin, Hannon, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—14.

Nays—0.

5. Report on order (referred November 19) accepting chapter 737 of the Acts of 1951 re payment of sum of money to John Grande—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

Adjourned at 4.50 P.M., on motion of Councilor Cook, to meet on Monday, December 17, 1951, at 2 P.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, December 17, 1951.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President HURLEY in the chair. Absent, Councilors Cook, Kinsella, and Lane.

The Reverend Francis A. J. Doherty of St. Angela's Roman Catholic Church, Mattapan, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REVEREND FRANCIS A. J. DOHERTY.

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, Amen. We are come, O God the Holy Spirit, we are come into Thy presence, hindered as we are by our many grievous sins, yet gathered together here today in a special way under Thy auspices. Come unto us, then, come unto our hearts and teach us what we are to do and where to tend. Show us what we must accomplish in order that we may be pleasing to Thee in all things. Be Thou alone the author and the finisher of all that we do, with the Father and the Son who alone possesses a glorious name. Suffer us not to disturb the order of justice to which equity is especially precious. Let us not be divided into devious ways, nor let partiality hinder us in our true objectives. Neither let the respect for riches or for persons pervert our judgments, but, rather, unite us together with Thee in order that we may never forsake the truth. Present here as we are in a very special way under Thy auspices, help us to be steadfast, to do justice tempered by mercy in order that in this life we may do all things not at variance with Thy divine will, and in the life to come receive the reward of deeds well done. Amen.

The salute to the Flag was given by the members.

VETO OF ORDER FOR PAYMENT OF SUM OF MONEY TO JOHN GRANDE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 13, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I return herewith disapproved the order passed by your Honorable Body on December 3, 1951, for the purpose of accepting chapter 737 of the Acts of 1951, entitled "An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Pay a Sum of Money to John Grande."

My objections thereto are that there is no evidence that Anthony Grande's death was directly or indirectly due to any carelessness or negligence on the part of the city or any of its officers or employees and so to make the payment being authorized would result in an unconstitutional use of public funds. See communication concerning the matter addressed to me under date of December 10, 1951, by Corporation Counsel William L. Baxter, a copy of which is transmitted herewith.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Law Department, December 10, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I am in receipt of your letter of December 5, 1951, concerning chapter 737 of the Acts of 1951 entitled "An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Pay a Sum of Money to John Grande."

I understand the facts of the instant case to be as follows:

About 4.30 P.M. on July 7, 1949, Anthony Grande was playing with another boy on a wall surrounding a schoolyard which was not then open for use. When he attempted to pass a third boy who was also on the wall, the latter refused to let him. In an ensuing tussle, both fell to the ground. In falling, Anthony Grande struck his head on the pavement of the schoolyard and sustained injuries which resulted in his death two days later.

It is well settled that a municipality in this Commonwealth, even with the sanction of the Legislature, has no power to bestow a gratuity upon a private individual. "A statute conferring such power is unconstitutional, because it authorizes raising money by taxation for the exclusive benefit of particular individuals, and appropriates money for a private purpose which can only be raised and used for public objects." Mead *v.* Acton, 139 Mass. 341, 344. Compare Whittaker *v.* Salem, 216 Mass. 483, 484-485, where it is said: "However meritorious the project may appear to be either in its practical or ethical or sentimental aspects, if it is in essence a gift to an individual rather than a furthering of the public interest, money raised by taxation cannot be appropriated for it." Accord, Matthews *v.* Westborough, 131 Mass. 521, 522, and Jones *v.* Natick, 267 Mass. 567, 570.

It is readily apparent from the facts recited above that Anthony Grande's death was not directly or indirectly due to any carelessness or negligence on the part of the city or any of its officers or employees, but entirely attributable to factors completely beyond the city's control. In the circumstances, despite the reference in the above-cited statute to a moral obligation on the part of the city, no such moral obligation in fact exists. Accordingly, the above-cited statute provides merely for the payment of a gratuity and, therefore, is in my opinion unconstitutional.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM L. BAXTER,
Corporation Counsel.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER FROM PARKMAN FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 14, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners requesting the appropriation of $14,595.87 from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

The 1951 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of $183,000 from the Parkman Fund. The budget allowances made provision for the appropriation of this income as it accrued for the purpose of defraying the cost of work actually performed on the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887.

I submit herewith an order appropriating the sum of $14,595.87, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, December 12, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

By vote of the Board of Park Commissioners, you are respectfully asked to request the City Council to transfer from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund the sum of $14,595.87 which is now available, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of.....	$14,595.87

When making up the budget estimates for the year 1951, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item 100, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be re-

placed by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1951, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department,

Respectfully yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

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Ordered, That the sum of fourteen thousand five hundred ninety-five dollars and eighty-seven cents ($14,595.87) be, and hereby is, appropriated from the income of the George F. Parkman Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners, for the Maintenance and Improvement of the Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, as follows;

Common and Parks in Existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of.....	$14,595.87

Referred to the Committee on Parkman Fund.

PLAYGROUND AT POPLAR AND CANTERBURY STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 14, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of December 3, 1951, concerning a request that sufficient funds be included in the budget for 1952 to provide for the establishment of a playground on the vacant land at the corner of Poplar and Canterbury streets, Roslindale, Ward 19.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Park Department, December 7, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting that the Park Commission arrange to place funds within its budget for 1952 sufficient for the development of a play area on the vacant land at Poplar and Canterbury streets, Roslindale.

This matter will be taken under consideration at the time of the submission of the 1952 budget.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING OF WARWICK STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 14, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of December 3, 1951, concerning a request for the resurfacing of Warwick street, Ward 9.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
December 6, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface Warwick street, Ward 9, and this will advise you that it is now too late in the season to undertake the work this year, but this will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the year 1952.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING OF ARION STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 14, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of December 3, 1951, concerning a request for the resurfacing of Arion street, Ward 13.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
December 6, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I return herewith order in City Council that the Commissioner of Public Works resurface Arion street, Ward 13, and this will advise you that it is now too late in the season to undertake the work this year, but this will be placed on the list of streets to be given consideration for reconstruction during the coming year 1952.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING OF WASHINGTON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 14, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of December 3, 1951, concerning a request that Washington street, from the Forest Hills terminal to the West Roxbury Parkway, Wards 18, 19 and 20, be resurfaced.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
December 10, 1951.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of December 3:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor, the Mayor, to resurface Washington street, from the Forest Hills terminal to the West Roxbury Parkway, Wards 18, 19 and 20."

It was the intention of the department during the current year to resurface the above section of Washington street under the provisions of chapter 90 of the General Laws. However, at the request of officials of the MTA the resurfacing work was postponed to 1952, because it is their intention to replace the existing streetcars with trackless trolleys in the latter-referenced year. The Defense Program might delay the conversion to trackless trolleys, and for that reason I cannot definitely promise at this time that the resurfacing work will proceed as scheduled. However, if possible, this project will be included in our chapter 90 program for next year.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT DENNIS AND MORELAND STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 17, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of December 3, 1951, requesting consideration

of the advisability of the installation of traffic signal lights at the intersection of Dennis and Moreland streets, Ward 8.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Boston Traffic Commission,
December 11, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of December 3, 1951, ordering that the Commissioner of Public Works and the Traffic Commissioner be requested to consider the advisability of the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of Dennis and Moreland streets, Ward 8, I wish to report that we find no record of any accidents involving personal injuries at this intersection.

Furthermore, the movement of traffic through this intersection is so light that the installation of traffic lights is not merited in comparison with the large number of other locations where much heavier traffic exists and where more hazards may be found.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF INTERSECTIONS IN HONOR OF DECEASED VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 17, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith four orders for the naming of various intersections in the city in honor of veterans of World War II.

As the requests for the naming of these squares were made by the members of your Honorable Body, and the Committee to Memorialize Veterans after due consideration has recommended the naming of the various sites in honor of these veterans, I recommend that your Honorable Body give approval to the accompanying orders.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Board of Street Commissioners,
December 7, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

At a meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans held this day it was voted to designate the following intersections in honor of the following-named veterans:

Batchelder and Clifton streets, Roxbury district—William W. Cook, Jr., Square. (Seaman 1/c Cook was killed December 18, 1944, aboard U. S. S. Spence in the Pacific.)

Woolson and Norfolk streets, Dorchester district—Julian Yorks Square. (Pfc Yorks, Troop A, 112th Cavalry Division, lost his life in Europe, January 7, 1944.)

Dudley street and Columbia road, Dorchester district—John T. McCabe Square. (Pfc McCabe, Co. G, 318th Infantry Regiment, 80th Division, killed in Germany, February 7, 1945.)

Dudley and Magnolia streets, Dorchester district—George A. Sparks Square. (Lieut. Sparks, 319th Bomb Squadron, 90th Bombing Group, 5th Air Corps, killed in New Guinea, February 6, 1946.)

Notice of the above vote has been forwarded to the City Council for appropriate action.

Respectfully submitted,
L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Batchelder and Clifton streets, Ward 8, be named William W. Cook, Jr., Square, in honor of William W. Cook, late veteran of World War II.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Woolson and Norfolk streets, Ward 14, be named Julian Yorks Square, in honor of Julian Yorks, late veteran of World War II.

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Ordered, That the space at the junction of Dudley street and Columbia road, Ward 13, be named John T. McCabe Square, in honor of John T. McCabe, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Dudley and Magnolia streets, Ward 13, be named George A. Sparks Square, in honor of George A. Sparks, late veteran of World War II.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 10, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

The enclosed requests for transfer of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are recommended for adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Buildings, 1, Personal Service, $269.78, to the appropriation for Public Buildings, Market Division, 3, Supplies and Materials, $269.78.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Court House Custodian, 2, Contractual Services, $10,000, Penal Institutions Department, House of Correction, 7, Structures and Improvements (4–28–13, Special Improvements and Repairs), $15,800, to the appropriation for Superior Court, Criminal, 2, Contractual Services, $25,000, 3, Supplies and Materials, $200, 4, Current Charges and Obligations, $100, 5, Equipment (590, Miscellaneous Equipment), $500.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

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Gentlemen:

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Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

—

Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, 1, Personal Service, $16.04, to the appropriation for Medical Examiner, Southern Division, 1, Personal Service, $16.04.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, 1, Personal Service, $22.01, to the appropriation for Medical Examiner, Northern Division, 1, Personal Service, $22.01.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, 1, Personal Service, $597.04, to the appropriation for Municipal Court, Dorchester, 1, Personal Service, $597.04.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts

of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, 1, Personal Service, $996.21, to the appropriation for Municipal Court, Brighton District, 1, Personal Service, $871.21, 5, Equipment (590, Miscellaneous Equipment), $125.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, 1, Personal Service, $10,153.50, to the appropriation for Municipal Court, Roxbury District, 1, Personal Service, $5,765, 2, Contractual Services, $2,523, 3, Supplies and Materials, $1,454, 4, Current Charges and Obligations, (430, Insurance), $37.50, 5, Equipment (560, Office Furniture and Equipment), $194, (590, Miscellaneous Equipment), $180.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, 1, Personal Service, $20,515.82, to the appropriation for Municipal Court, City of Boston, 1, Personal Service, $20,515.82.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Probate Court, 2, Contractual Services, $215.32, to the appropriation for Probate Court, 1, Personal Service, $215.32.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Court House Custodian, 2, Contractual Services, $500, to the appropriation for Court House Custodian, 1, Personal Service, $500.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Reserve Fund, $2,000, to the appropriation for City Record, Publication of, 2, Contractual Services, $2,000.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Central Office, 4, Current Charges and Obligations, 460, Relief Payments, $115,000, to the appropriation for Public Welfare Department, Central Office, 1, Personal Service, $115,000.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, 1, Personal Service, $18,000, to the appropriation for Park Department, 1, Personal Service, $18,000.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Park Department, Cemetery Division, 5, Equipment, (590, Miscellaneous Equipment), $8,000, 8, Land and Improvements, (33–26, Mount Hope Cemetery Development), $8,000, to the appropriation for Park Department, 1, Personal Service, $16,000.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Park Department, 7, Structures and Improvements, (31–21, Rehabilitation of Franklin Park Zoo), $1,000, 8, Land and Improvements, (31–14, Park and Playground Improvements), $1,000, to the appropriation for Park Department, 1, Personal Service, $2,000.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, 1, Personal Service, $154.20, to the appropriation for Municipal Employment Bureau, 1, Personal Service, $154.20.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Institutions Department, Steamers, 2, Contractual Services, $1,100, 3, Supplies and Materials, $700, 5, Equipment (510, Electrical and Mechanical Machinery and Equipment), $250, (590, Miscellaneous Equipment), $350, Long Island Hospital, 2, Contractual Services, $1,700, to the appropriation for Institutions Department, Steamers, 1, Personal Service, $4,100.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Hospital Department, 1, Personal Service, $30,000, to the appropriation for Sanatorium Division, 1, Personal Service, $20,000, 3, Supplies and Materials, $10,000.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Fire Department, 2, Contractual Services, $13,000, 3, Supplies and Materials, $15,000, to the appropriation for Fire Department, 1, Personal Service, $28,000.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, 1, Personal Service, $2,900, to the appropriation for City Council, 1, Personal Service, $2,900.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for County Maintenance, Miscellaneous Expenses Budget Department, 1, Personal Service, $650, to the appropriation for City Maintenance, Budget Department, 1, Personal Service, $650.

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Ordered, That in accordance with the provisions of section 3B of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended by chapter 604 of the Acts of 1941, the City Auditor be, and hereby is, authorized to transfer:

From the appropriation for Police Department, 1, Personal Service, $2,577.45, to the appropriation for Boston Retirement Board, 2, Contractual Services, $2,577.45.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Guido Bossi, for compensation for damage to car by city vehicle.

Felix Caporizzo, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Water Division.

Arsen Chilengarian, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

William A. Cohen, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Police Department.

Joseph F. Cronin, for compensation for damage to property at 152 Dent street, West Roxbury, during sidewalk construction.

Mary H. Davis, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in removal of tree roots at 5 and 7 Virgil road, West Roxbury.

William DelloRusso, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Northern Avenue Bridge.

John M. Duke, for compensation for damage to property at 20 Tacoma street, Hyde Park, during sidewalk installation.

D. Ferrante, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Sadie Flesher, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 171 Tremont street.

Pasquale A. Fuccillo, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Ferry street.

Grace F. Gebhart, for compensation for loss of clothing at City Hospital.

Joseph Gemmato, for compensation for damage to truck by truck of Police Department.

Margaret J. Haney, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Washington street, Roxbury.

Clarence D. Horrigan, for compensation for damage to property at 3923 Washington street, Roslindale, caused by break in water pipe.

Martin T. Kennedy, for compensation for damage to property at 4 Rexbame street, Roslindale, caused by backing up of sewage.

Richard W. Kennedy, to be reimbursed as result of executions issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Fire Department.

John W. Loveland, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

James E. Maloof, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Martin McDonnell, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department.

James F. McKenna, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Joseph McNamara, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Boston Trade School.

Mrs. Archie Mucci, for compensation for injuries caused by defect in Printing Department Building.

Margaret Orlandino, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Bennington street, East Boston.

John R. Pacitti, for compensation for damage to property at 1124 Dorchester avenue, caused by broken water line.

Carl I. Parker, for compensation for damage to car by city vehicle.

Geraldine Quinn, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Poplar street, Roslindale.

Ella Quint, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Mason street.

Rossi Brothers, Inc,, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Philip M. Rowe, for compensation for damage to car by ladder truck.

South Boston Liquor Store, Inc. (Stanley T. Bartosiak, manager), for compensation for damage to property at 134 West Sixth street, caused by backing up of sewage.

Joseph Spinale, for compensation for damage to truck by fire truck.

Mary Tashjian, for compensation for damage to property at 30 Chestnut avenue, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water pipe.

Egidio Luciani, for compensation for damage to property at 586 Ashmont street, Dorchester, caused by conduits placed in land.

Robert Varjabedian, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Caroline Ward, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 107 Queensberry street.

Executive.

Petition of Mary M. Keane to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Thomas P. Keane, late member of Police Department.

Petition of Mary E. Loughlin to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, William H. Loughlin, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Mary E. Kenney to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Thomas J. Kenney, late member of Police Department.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Rapid Transit, Inc., for license to operate motor vehicles over St. Edward road, Boardman street, and Swift street, East Boston.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Applications for minors' licenses were received from nine newsboys. Licenses granted under the usual conditions.

NOTICE OF HEARINGS BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notices of hearings to be held by the Department of Public Utilities were received as follows:

Hearing to be held December 26, 1951, at 10 A.M. on petition of the Boston Edison Company for exemption of certain lands and substation, to be erected on Fremont street and Delnore place, Dorchester, Mattapan, from operation of the zoning law of the City of Boston.

Hearing to be held December 26, 1951, at 10 A.M. on petition of the Boston Edison Company for exemption of certain lands and substation on Binney street, Roxbury, from operation of the zoning law of the City of Boston.

Severally placed on file.

NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Works of hearing to be held December 11 at 2.30 P.M. on application of the Metropolitan District Commission for license to construct a sewage tunnel under tidewaters of Winthrop Bay of Boston Harbor.

Placed on file.

LEASE OF SCHOOL BUILDING ON GLENWAY STREET.

A communication was received from the School Committee transmitting copy of order requesting the Council to authorize the committee to lease to the Sgt. Philip S. Green Chapter No. 93, Disabled American Veterans, the school at 7 Glenway street, Dorchester; such occupancy to be discontinued at the will of the School Committee.

Placed on file.

ABSENCE OF MAYOR.

Notice was received from the Mayor of his absence from the city on December 10, 11, and 12, 1951.

Placed on file.

RESULT OF CITY ELECTION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Board of Election Commissioners,
December 17, 1951.

Walter J. Malloy, Esq.,
City Clerk, Boston.

Dear Sir:

We certify that at the City Election held in the City of Boston on November 6, 1951, for the choice of Mayor for the term of four years John B. Hynes of 31 Druid street (Ward 17) was duly elected to said office.

We further certify that for the choice of nine members of the City Council for the term of two years the following were duly elected to said office:

Gabriel Francis Piemonte, 20 Prince street (Ward 3).

William F. Hurley, 76 Mount Pleasant avenue (Ward 8).

William J. Foley, Jr., 388 West Fourth street (Ward 6).

Michael J. Ward, 51 Wallingford road (Ward 21).

Francis X. Ahearn, 16 Gerald road (Ward 22).
John E. Kerrigan, 213 West Eighth street (Ward 7).
Frederick C. Hailer, Jr., 4100 Washington street (Ward 19).
Joseph C. White, 12 Ruskin street (Ward 20).
Francis X. Joyce, 10 Southwick street (Ward 16).
We also certify that for the choice of five members of the School Committee for the term of two years the following were duly elected to said office:
William F. Carr, 390 K street (Ward 7).
Alice Lyons, 76 Moraine street (Ward 19).
Isadore H. Y. Muchnick, 38 Gleason street (Ward 14).
Patrick J. Foley, 505 East Broadway (Ward 6).
Mary K. Fitzgerald, 103 Charles street (Ward 5).

Respectfully yours,
JOSEPH RUSSO,
EVERETT R. PROUT,
GERTRUDE A. PFAU,
J. JOSEPH CONNORS,
Board of Election Commissioners.

Placed on file.

REFLOODING OF SKATING AREAS.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commissioner and the Fire Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to hold a meeting relative to reflooding the skating areas under the supervision of the Recreation Division of the Park Department so as to allow all available time during the ice skating season.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

PLAYGROUND AT BRUCE STREET AND VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS PARKWAY.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to include in its budget for 1952 sufficient funds to provide for the construction of the playground in the vicinity of Bruce street and Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, proposedly to be named "Henry Gillen Playground."
Passed under suspension of the rules.

PERMITS FOR USED CAR LOTS.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Police Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, in the future to notify the Boston City Council when a permit is being issued for used car lots.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR NURSING HOMES.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to contact the Building Commissioner, the Fire Commissioner, State Department of Public Safety, and a member from the nursing home industry in order to sit down and work out a plan whereby the nursing homes will conform with all the rules and regulations without duplicating expenses.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

FLUORIDATION OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES.

Coun. BEADES offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Health be instructed, through his Honor the Mayor, to take advantage of the federal government's plan for fluoridation of public water supplies so that Boston's water supply can be so treated, thus cutting down tooth decay amongst the children of Boston.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:
Report on message of the Mayor and ordinance (referred December 3) concerning salaries of certain officials—recommending reference of the ordinance to the Executive Committee.
The report was accepted. On motion of Councilor Shanley the ordinance was referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PARKMAN FUND.

Coun. McCORMACK, for the Committee on Parkman Fund, submitted the following:
Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for appropriation of $14,595.87 from income of Parkman Fund—that same ought to pass.
The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 16, nays 0:
Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, McCormack, Ramsey, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, Wenzler, Yerxa—16.
Nays—0.

LEASE OF SCHOOL BUILDING ON GLENWAY STREET.

Coun. ANSEL offered the following:
Ordered, That the School Committee be authorized to lease to the Sgt. Philip S. Green Chapter No. 93, Disabled American Veterans, the school building at 7 Glenway street, Dorchester, upon such terms and conditions as may be set forth by said committee.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR STANLEY WOLLASTON.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That Stanley Wollaston, permanent stenographer-clerk of the City Council, be granted a leave of absence from his duties as stenographer-clerk for a period of six months from January 1, 1952, to July 1, 1952.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

CHRISTMAS GIFT BOXES TO MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.

Coun. KINSELLA and F. P. TRACEY offered the following:
Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston, in meeting assembled, expresses its congratulations to his Honor, Mayor John B. Hynes, and his industrial counselor, Mr. Paul H. Hines, for their splendid work, inspiration, and cooperation given to the Christmas Festival Committee in the forwarding of Christmas gift boxes to the men and women with the armed forces in Korea, Japan, and Europe and the Korean wounded at the Greater Boston service hospitals.
The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

SKELETON FORCE ON DECEMBER 24TH AND 31ST.

Coun. BEADES, McCOLGAN, F. P. TRACEY, and P. A. TRACY offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct all department heads to establish a skeleton force on Monday, December 24, 1951, and Monday, December 31, 1951, to enable city employees to enjoy the Christmas and New Year holidays.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

REMOVAL OF TREE, WARD 6.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the tree at the corner of East Sixth street and Farragut road, next to the police box, Ward 6, because of its dangerous condition.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF MICHAEL T. DiBLASI.

Coun. LANIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at the corner of Spring and Poplar streets, Boston, in honor of Michael T. DiBlasi, radioman first class of the United States Navy, who lost his life off Iwo Jima, May 8, 1945, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. McCOLGAN, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Timothy D. Donahue (referred November 19), to be reimbursed as a result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Boston Fire Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order.

Ordered, That the sum of six hundred fifty dollars ($650) be allowed and paid to Timothy D. Donahue in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of John L. Collier (referred November 19) to be reimbursed as a result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Automotive Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order.

Ordered, That the sum of seventy dollars ($70) be allowed and paid to John L. Collier in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Automotive Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

ACTION OF CONSTABLE LIGUMS IN EVICTION OF FAMILY.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston City Council call before it Constable Ligums of 18 Tremont street to investigate his action in the eviction of the MacCaulay family on December 12, 1951, and to determine what, if any, action should be taken in regard to this matter.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Wenzler the Council voted at 2.51 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President Hurley at 3.14 P.M.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Wenzler presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Eighty-nine traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear January 14, 1952:

Patrick Carideo, Ward 1; Francis J. Bulman, Ward 2; Thomas L. Gallagher, Ward 2; Michael Welch, Ward 2; Philip D'Alessandro, Ward 3; Louis T. Giarla, Ward 3; Harry R. McKee, Jr., Ward 3; Vernon D. Brown, Ward 4; George F. Day, Ward 4; Charles I. Foster, Ward 4; Margaret Green, Ward 4; Annie J. Lyons, Ward 4; Alonzo Morgan, Ward 4; Steve K. Pardalis, Ward 4; Frank E. Davidson, Ward 5; James J. Snow, Ward 5; Howard C. Gay, Ward 6; Walter T. Mason, Jr., Ward 6; Joseph P. Nagle, Ward 6; Herbert J. O'Neill, Ward 6; James P. Scanlon, Ward 6; Thomas James Tracy, Ward 6; Merrill D. White, Ward 6; Charles R. Frazer, Ward 7; William T. Roche, Ward 7; John F. McCabe, Ward 8; Louise D. Miskell, Ward 8; James O'Day, Ward 8; Carmillo Pecci, Ward 8; Louis D. Rubino, Ward 8; Alyce L. Smith, Ward 8; Millard F. Davis, Ward 9; Edgar S. Harrington, Ward 9; John L. Robinson, Ward 9; Arthur Anthony, Ward 10; Harold A. Duhy, Ward 10; Michael Finnerty, Ward 10; Joseph J. Maguire, Ward 10; Julia A. Keane, Ward 11; Thomas F. Matthews, Jr., Ward 11; Joseph E. Peterson, Ward 11; Margaret A. Riley, Ward 11; Edward St. A. Sayers, Ward 11; Mary F. O'Brien, Ward 12; Samuel Sheinhait, Ward 12; Sydney Spellman, Ward 12.

Joseph A. Gemelli, Ward 13; Chauncey S. Brody, Ward 14; Saul Carnam, Ward 14; Jacob Freedman, Ward 14; Max Green, Ward 14; Eli W. Ross, Ward 14; Joseph Schwartz, Ward 14; Abraham D. Wallack, Ward 14; Solomon Zeidman, Ward 14; Charles Boyajian, Ward 15; John G. Burns, Ward 15; Charles L. Mace, Ward 15; Sidney P. Tyner, Ward 15; Joseph P. Reardon, Ward 16; Stanley Siedletski, Ward 16; Robert Thompson, Ward 16; John J. Corbett, Ward 17; Leo Lapon, Ward 17; Patrick F. Mellett, Ward 17; Myer Starr, Ward 17; Harvey B. Thompson, Ward 17; Irving Berger, Ward 18; Edith R. Brown, Ward 18; James L. Hennessey, Ward 18; Albert T. Johnson, Ward 18; Wilbur W. Johnson, Ward 18; Nelson D. Nicholson, Ward 18; Harry Sidell, Ward 18; Michael Stempkovski, Ward 18; Charles N. White, Ward 18; Louis A. Hartel, Ward 20; Thomas J. Hennessey, Ward 20; Hugh A. R. Keiran, Ward 20; Thomas W. Madden, Ward 20; Norman A. Nyquist, Ward 20; Albert J. Reddy, Ward 20; Marion A. Vincent, Ward 20; Albert Babcock, Ward 21; Harrison Northup, Ward 21; Harold B. Price, Ward 21; Patrick Tully, Ward 21; John T. McCarthy, Ward 22; Helen O'Hearn, Ward 22.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

1. Report on petition of Winifred B. Buckley (referred November 19) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John T. Buckley, member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of eighteen hundred and twelve dollars be allowed and paid to Winifred B. Buckley, widow of John T. Buckley, a member of the Fire Department who died on November 9, 1951, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity to be made up of allowances as follows:

For the widow, Winifred B. Buckley, so long as she remains unmarried — $1,500 per annum.

For the following-named child during such time as he is under the age of eighteen or over said age and physically or mentally incapacitated from earning — $312 per annum:

John W. Buckley — born August 23, 1935;

provided, however, that if the widow remarries, the annuity for said child shall be $520 during the remainder of the time aforesaid; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Report on petition of Margaret M. Martin (referred July 23) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John J. Martin, member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Margaret M. Martin, widow of John J. Martin, a member of the Fire Department who died on June 9, 1946, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty, said annuity to continue so long as she remains unmarried; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the

approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Report on petition of Veronica M. Harkins (referred May 7) to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, Michael J. Harkins, member of the Fire Department — recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of eighteen hundred and twelve dollars be allowed and paid to Veronica M. Harkins, widow of Michael J. Harkins, a member of the Fire Department who died on February 6, 1951, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity to be made up of allowances as follows:

For the widow, Veronica M. Harkins, so long as she remains unmarried — $1,500 per annum.

For the following-named child during such time as she is under the age of eighteen or over said age and physically or mentally incapacitated from earning — $312 per annum:

Ann M. Harkins — born November 18, 1933; provided, however, that if the widow remarries, the annuity for said child shall be $520 during the remainder of the time aforesaid; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor, and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Report on petition of Annie Collins (referred December 3) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Joseph H. Collins, a member of the Fire Department — recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of eighteen hundred and twelve dollars be allowed and paid to Annie Collins, widow of Joseph H. Collins, a member of the Fire Department who died on July 10, 1951, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity being made up of allowances as follows:

For the widow, Annie Collins, so long as she remains unmarried—$1,500 per annum.

For the following-named child, $312 per annum, provided that it is determined by the City Auditor that said child is physically incapacitated from earning, and said payment to continue so long as said physical incapacity continues:

Marion C. Collins—born November 3, 1922; provided, however, that if the widow remarries, the annuity for said child shall be $520 during the remainder of the time aforesaid; the annuity to become effective upon the date of the approval of this order by the Mayor and to be charged to the appropriation for Fire Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and four orders (referred today) naming intersections in honor of deceased veterans—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

3. Report on message of the Mayor and two orders (referred today) for transfer of appropriations—that same ought to pass.

Report on message of the Mayor and twenty orders (referred today) for transfer of appropriations—that same ought to pass.

The reports were accepted and the orders were severally passed, yeas 17, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ansel, Banks, Beades, Bryan, Cantwell, Chase, Coffey, Farin, Hannon, Hurley, Lanigan, McColgan, Shanley, F. P. Tracey, P. A. Tracy, Wenzler, Yerxa—17.

Nays—0.

4. Report on message of the Mayor and ordinance (referred today) concerning salaries of certain officials—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

Coun. YERXA moved that the ordinance be recommitted to the Executive Committee. The motion was lost.

The ordinance was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition (referred today) of Rapid Transit, Inc., for license to operate motor vehicles over St. Edward road, Boardman street, and Swift street, East Boston—recommending that license be granted.

Report accepted. License granted under the usual conditions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

Coun. ANSEL, for the Committee on Confirmations, submitted the following:

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred December 3) of Leon Frank, Samuel Schneider, James A. White, and Isabelle C. Abdon as weigbers of coal for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that the appointments be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Shanley and Lanigan. Whole number of ballots 16, yeas 13, nays 3, and the appointments were confirmed.

PLAYGROUND AT ELM AND EVERETT STREETS, WARD 19.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to take the necessary steps to acquire the lot of land at the corner of Elm and Everett streets, Ward 19, formerly the site of a public school, for development as a playground for small children.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councilor Hannon the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet again on Thursday, January 3, 1952, at eleven o'clock A.M.

WEEKLY PAYMENT TO NURSES DOING SPECIAL DUTY.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital and the Superintendent of the Hospital be directed by his Honor the Mayor to immediately establish some system or plan whereby nurses doing special duty may be paid weekly, rather than continue the present system by which they must wait two weeks, or more, for their payments.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

AWARDS TO PERSONNEL OF DIVISION 15, POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Police Commissioner consider the advisability of commendation and suitable time-off awards to the officers and men of Division 15, Charlestown, for their diligence and sincerity in the performance of their duties, as the questioning of persons by the police of that division in the late night and early morning hours resulted in several most important arrests.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SCROLLS FOR ALL PERSONS HAVING SERVED IN 22-MAN CITY COUNCIL.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the City Messenger to have drawn a scroll suitably inscribed which shall be presented at a later date to each and every person who has served in the so-called 22-man Council.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

OPPOSITION TO TELEPHONE COMPANY INCREASES.

Coun. CHASE offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council in regular meeting assembled hereby records itself as opposed to the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company's proposal of charging 2½ per cent extra and changing pay-phone calls to ten cents; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

OPEN-AIR PARKING SPACES.

Coun. RAMSEY, Chairman of the Committee on Ordinances, announced that he would call a meeting of that committee for Thursday, December 20, 1951, at eleven o'clock A.M., relative to the order on the maintenance of open-air parking spaces and the fees to be charged therefor.

REPLACING OF STREET SIGNS, WARD 9.

Coun. BANKS offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the street signs in the Ward 9 district of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 3.59 P.M., on motion of Councilor Hannon, to meet on Thursday, January 3, 1952, at 11 A.M.

Note: All debate of City Council eliminated from proceedings in accordance with Chapter 447, Acts of 1947.

(Stenographic copy of such debate on file in office of City Clerk.)

CITY OF BOSTON PRINTING DEPARTMENT

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Thursday, January 3, 1952.

Final meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 A.M., President HURLEY in the chair and all the members present.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

FLUORIDATION OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 3, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Health Commissioner relative to your order of December 17, 1951, instructing that advantage be taken of the federal government's plan for fluoridation of public water supplies so that Boston's water supply can be so treated, thus cutting down tooth decay among the children of Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Health Department, December 26, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your communication of December 20, 1951, relative to City Council order of December 17, 1951, "instructing that advantage be taken of the federal government's plan for fluoridation of public water supplies so that Boston's water supply can be so treated, thus cutting down tooth decay among the children of Boston."

Fluoridation of water supplies to municipalities has been carefully followed by the Health Commissioner as well as the Dental Director of this department. A topical study of the application of sodium fluoride has been carried out under the direction of Dr. William H. Griffin, the Dental Director, in conjunction with the State Department of Public Health, and an evaluation of the procedure is being processed at present.

It is realized that the Boston City Council is aware that Boston's water supply is under the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan District Commission. A continued study will be made to determine the value and the desirability of recommending fluoridation of the water which is distributed to Boston specifically as well as the general water supply to other cities and towns under the direction of the Metropolitan District Commission.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D.,
Health Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REFUNDING CERTAIN MONEY PAID BY WELFARE RECIPIENTS.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 26, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary of the Board of Overseers of the Public Welfare in reference to your order of December 3, 1951, concerning an investigation of the laxity in the Old Age Assistance Division in refunding money paid by recipients for doctors' bills and medicines which has been overdue for a period of from six months to a year and as a result of which these recipients have been forced to deprive themselves of food and heat.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Overseers of the Public Welfare
in the City of Boston,
December 21, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

This department is in receipt of a City Council order dated December 3, 1951, which reads as follows:

"Ordered, That the Overseers of Public Welfare be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to investigate the laxity in the Old Age Assistance Division in refunding money paid by recipients for doctors' bills and medicines which has been overdue for a period of from six months to a year and as a result of which these recipients have been forced to deprive themselves of food and heat."

The Board of Overseers of the Public Welfare wishes to state that as of November 1, 1951, by action of the State Legislature, and approved by His Excellency the Governor, a new category of relief, Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled, was established. The details of putting this plan into operation plus a shortage of personnel has slowed up the processing and approval of medical bills of Old Age Assistance clients.

May I state that by the end of December all bills incurred up through November 30, 1951, except in unusual cases, will be paid.

The Board of Overseers feels that you should know that all these various changes in legislation affecting our department do require close attention and very accurate figuring because of federal and state audits.

We shall endeavor, as always, to try to have the needs of humankind met as promptly and as efficiently as possible.

Very truly yours,
WILLIAM G. O'HARE, Secretary.

Placed on file.

REPLACEMENT OF STREET SIGNS, WARD 9.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 27, 1951.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of December 17, 1951, concerning a request for the replacement of the street signs in the Ward 9 district of Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
December 26, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of December 17:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the street signs in the Ward 9 district of Boston."

During the current year the department has conducted an intensive drive to replace all missing street signs and signs that were illegible. In addition, we have awarded contracts for the painting of the frames and street signposts. In general, therefore, we have effected a substantial improvement in this particular item.

You may be assured, therefore, that a survey will be made in the Ward 9 district to determine the street signs that should be replaced or painted, and arrangements will be made to have this work included in our program for next year.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

PLAYGROUND AT BRUCE STREET AND VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS PARKWAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of December 17, 1951, concerning a request that funds be provided in the 1952 budget for the construction of the playground in the vicinity of Bruce street and Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, December 21, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting that sufficient funds be placed in the budget for the playground site obtained by the Park Department in 1951 at Bruce street and Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway.

This matter will be considered when we are making plans for playground improvements in our 1952 budget.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF TREE, WARD 6.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of December 17, 1951, requesting the removal of a tree at the corner of East Sixth street and Farragut road, next to the police box, Ward 6.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, December 21, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting the removal of the tree at the corner of East Sixth street and Farragut road, South Boston.

Councilor Wenzler has written to us direct in this matter, and it has been referred to the general foreman of the Tree Division for proper action.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

PLAYGROUND AT ELM AND EVERETT STREETS, WARD 19.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of December 17, 1951, concerning a request that steps be taken to acquire the lot of land at the corner of Elm and Everett streets, Ward 19, formerly the site of a public school, for development as a playground for small children.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, December 21, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting that the Park Commissioner look into the advisability of acquiring a lot of land at the corner of Elm and Everett streets, Ward 19, as a playground for small children.

This property was formerly the site of a public school.

This matter has been referred to the chief engineer for consideration and report.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

REFLOODING SKATING AREAS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 27, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of December 17, 1951, concerning a request that a meeting be held relative to reflooding the skating areas under the supervision of the Recreation Division of the Park Department, so as to allow all available time during the ice-skating season.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, December 21, 1951.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order relative to reflooding skating areas under the supervision of the Park Department.

For the information of Councilor Shanley, all the Park Department areas in which skating is allowed have been flooded for the winter season.

We hope that the winter will be cold enough so that we will be able to furnish fine skating for all those who wish to participate.

Boston has more skating areas located within the confines of the city on Park Department properties than almost any other city in the country.

Very truly yours,
Frank R. Kelley, Chairman.

Placed on file.

TRANSFER TO UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT OF TITLE TO FENCE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 31, 1951.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Pursuant to orders adopted by your Honorable Body on April 28, 1941, and September 23, 1946, the City of Boston leased to the United States Government for naval purposes the property in East Boston known as the North Ferry and also that part of Border street running from the southwesterly side line of Sumner street to the North Ferry during the period beginning August 15, 1941, and ending June 30, 1948, with a provision requiring the government, upon the termination of the lease, to restore the leased premises to the same condition as that existing at the time the government entered. While the government was in possession, it erected a 700-foot fence, a pier, coal bins, and six complete buildings, to all of which the government retained title. By an order adopted by your Honorable Body on July 19, 1948, the Mayor was authorized in the name and behalf of the city to accept said improvements in lieu of restoration and to undertake to erect a 300-foot continuation of the fence—it being then understood that the government was willing in lieu of restoration to transfer said improvements to the city provided that the city erected such a continuation of the fence.

The city has erected the continuation of the fence; but the government has not transferred the improvements because title to the continuation of the fence remains in the city. As the value of the improvements is far beyond the value of the fence, it would seem to be very much in the public interest to transfer title to the fence to the government and thus finally dispose of this long

pending matter. Accordingly, I recommend adoption by your Honorable Body of the order transmitted herewith.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

Whereas, The City of Boston, acting through its Commissioner of Public Works, did in July and August, 1951, erect a certain fence on the estate of the City of Boston leased to the United States of America by an instrument dated as of July 1, 1946, and consisting of the property in East Boston known as the North Ferry and also that part of Border street running from the southwesterly side line of Sumner street to the North Ferry; and

Whereas, The United States of America will, if title to said fence is transferred to the United States of America, transfer the improvements which the Mayor was, by an order passed by this Body on July 19, 1948, authorized to accept; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be, and he hereby is, authorized and empowered, in the name and behalf of the City of Boston, to transfer to the United States of America title to said fence simultaneously with transfer to the city of said improvements.

On motion of Councilor Hurley the rules were suspended, and the order was passed.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committees named, viz.:

Claims.

Earl W. Anderson, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Claremont park.

Rosa Chiodi, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 321–335 North street.

Columbia Storage Warehouse Company, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 12 Garden street, caused by defective water main.

Commercial Canteen Service, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Burnett M., Alice, and Max Cutler, for compensation for damage to property and injuries caused by fire apparatus.

Nicholas DiFronzo, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Edward Dullea, for compensation for damage to car by city vehicle.

Michael E. Ferrant, M.D., for compensation for damage to car by snow-fighter.

Frederick J. Keeler, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Mary King, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Oliver Wendell Holmes School.

Launder-Own, for compensation for damage to property at 283 Norfolk street, Dorchester, caused when hydrant was turned on.

Wilfrod J. Lemieux, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Anthony F. Linardy, for compensation for damage to car by car of Park Department.

O. Victor Maccini, for compensation for damage to property at 29 and 31 Angell street, Dorchester, caused by blasting operations.

Rosella McLaughlin, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Edith M. Moglia, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

Belmira I. and Peter J. Murry, for compensation for damage to property and injuries caused by car of Park Department.

Lawrence J. O'Neill, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him.

Sylvia Paletz, for compensation for damage to property at 32 Abbot street, Dorchester, caused by blasting operations.

Lawrence Rodd, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Albert J. Rosen, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 40 Pemberton square.

Hyman Swartz, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Commonwealth avenue.

John H. Waters, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sewer Division.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Service Bus Line, Inc., for license to operate motor vehicles on Saratoga street, St. Edward road, and Barnes avenue, East Boston.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notices were received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearings to be held as follows:

Petition of Almeida Bus Lines, Inc., re rates and charges, January 28, at 10 A.M.

Petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for approval of issue of $592,000 principal amount of bonds or notes for purpose of restoring to its treasury funds expended for the acquisition of motor buses, January 10, at 2.30 P.M.

Petition of Trustees of Boston Metropolitan District for approval of maturities and interest rates of $1,908,000 bonds of the District, 1952 Series A; $1,650,000 bonds of the District, 1952 Series B; $592,000 bonds of the District, 1952 Series C, January 10, at 2.30 P.M.

Severally placed on file.

NOTICES FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Notice was received of alteration in location of section of state highway (John F. Fitzgerald Expressway).

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Works of alterations in location of section of state highway (John F. Fitzgerald Expressway).

Severally placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Housing Board of approval of expenditure of $49,750 by Boston Housing Authority for operating expenses for fiscal year ending December 31, 1952, copy of operating budget for 1951 being also enclosed.

Placed on file.

EXPENDITURES IN EXCESS OF APPROPRIATION FOR SNOW REMOVAL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
December 26, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The provisions of section 16 of the City Charter state, in substance, that no city official, except in the case of an extreme emergency involving the health or safety of the people or their property, shall expend in any fiscal year any sum in excess of the appropriations duly made in accordance with law. This section further states that any official violating its provisions shall be punished by imprisonment or by the assessment of a fine not in excess of $1,000.

I am calling this matter to your attention because the appropriation for Snow Removal has been entirely expended, but it will be necessary to expend in excess of the amount appropriated on this type of service. It is absolutely essential —in the interests of public safety—to plow and remove snow, and sand and salt icy streets during and subsequent to snow and sleet storms. This department has acted accordingly to date, with the result that we have expended in excess of the appropriation and will continue to expend further sums between now and the end of the current year, in the event that we have any additional storms.

It is my opinion, therefore, that the undersigned —as a properly designated city official—is not acting contrary to the provisions of section 16, because the expenditures are for the purpose of taking care of conditions involving the health and safety of the people and their property.

I am calling this to your attention in order that there will be no question as to the legal propriety of my ordering these expenditures.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

NEW MERIDIAN STREET BRIDGE.

A communication was received from City Clerk Malloy transmitting photographic copy of covenant on the part of the city with the Commonwealth relative to construction of a new Meridian Street Bridge, including highway approaches, between East Boston and Chelsea, under the provisions of chapter 785 of the Acts of 1951.

Placed on file.

REFERENCE OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That any orders or petitions in the hands of committees of this Council which the City Clerk shall decide should properly be referred as matters of unfinished business, be referred to the next City Council.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GIFT OF WHITE REINDEER.

Coun. KINSELLA offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston, in meeting assembled, expresses its gratitude to the Christmas Festival Committee for the purchase and donation to the City of Boston of the eight white reindeer which were on display on Boston Common during the Christmas season.

This worthy gift will afford a greater attraction at the Franklin Park Zoo, be a special delight to the children of Boston, and his Honor, Mayor Hynes, and the Christmas Festival Committee deserve congratulations for effectuating such a splendid public-spirited donation to the City of Boston.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSPECTION OF PRISONS.

Coun. KINSELLA, for the Committee on Inspection of Prisons, submitted the following:

The Committee on Inspection of Prisons respectfully submits the following report of commitments to and discharges and transfers from the Suffolk County House of Correction and Charles Street Jail during the municipal year 1951.

For the Committee:
MICHAEL L. KINSELLA, Chairman.

Suffolk County, House of Correction.
June 16, 1951.

To the Inspectors of the Prisons for the County of Suffolk.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the following report of the commitments to and the discharge from the Suffolk County House of Correction at Deer Island from December 16, 1950, to June 15, 1951:

Remaining December 15, 1950	589
Committed	1,118
Discharged	1,192
Remaining June 15, 1951	515

Showing How Discharged.

Expiration of sentence	742
Expiration of sentence and fine paid	31
Permit of Penal Commissioner	372
Expiration of sentence and permit of Penal Commissioner	5
Order of the courts	7
Order of the National Guard	1
Died	2
Transferred to	
Boston Psychopathic Hospital	1
Bridgewater State Farm	19
Charles Street Jail	1
Massachusetts Reformatory at Concord	6
Norfolk Prison Colony	2
Barnstable House of Correction	1
Grafton State Hospital	1
Westboro State Hospital	1

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT F. MACKIE, Master.

Suffolk County, House of Correction.
December 18, 1951.

To the Inspectors of the Prisons for the County of Suffolk.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the following report of the commitments to and the discharges from the Suffolk County House of Correction at Deer Island from June 16, 1951, to December 15, 1951:

Remaining June 15, 1951	515
Committed	1,484
Discharged	1,497
Remaining December 15, 1951	502

Showing How Discharged.

Expiration of sentence	941
Expiration of sentence and fine paid	39
Permit of Penal Commissioner	456
Permit of Penal Commissioner and fine paid,	1
Order of the courts	3
Died	3
Escaped	6
Transferred to	
Boston Psychopathic Hospital	1
Boston State Hospital	3
Grafton State Hospital	1
Charles Street Jail	6
Massachusetts Reformatory at Concord	3
Norfolk Prison Colony	1
State Farm at Bridgewater	11
Billerica House of Correction	20
Plymouth House of Correction	1
Springfield House of Correction	1

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT F. MACKIE, Master.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
County of Suffolk,
Office of Sheriff,
Frederick R. Sullivan,
June 30, 1951.

To the Inspectors of Prisons for the County of Suffolk.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the following report of the commitments to and discharges from the Suffolk County Jail from December 31, 1950, to June 30, 1951:

Remaining December 31, 1950, males, 117; females, 31; total, 148.

Committed from December 31, 1950, to June 30, 1951, males, 3,347; females, 416; total, 3,763.

Discharged from December 31, 1950, to June 30, 1951, males, 3,312; females, 414; total, 3,726.

Remaining June 30, 1951, males, 152; females, 33; total, 185.

Poor debtors remaining December 31, 1951	0
Poor debtors committed from December 31, 1950, to June 30, 1951	0
Poor debtors discharged from December 31, 1950, to June 30, 1951	0
Escapes	0
Recaptures	0
Insane	16
Deaths	0

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM J. MCMORROW,
Special Sheriff and Jailer.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
County of Suffolk,
Office of Sheriff,
Frederick R. Sullivan,
December 31, 1951.

To the Inspectors of Prisons for the County of Suffolk.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the following report of the commitments to and discharges from the Suffolk County Jail from June 30, 1951, to December 31, 1951:

Remaining June 30, 1951, males, 152; females, 33; total 185.

Committed from June 30, 1951, to December 31, 1951, males, 3,641; females, 444; total, 4,085.

Discharged from June 30, 1951, to December 31, 1951, males, 3,663; females, 434; total, 4,097.

Remaining December 31, 1951, males, 130; females, 40; total, 170.

Poor debtors remaining June 30, 1951	0
Poor debtors committed from June 30, 1951, to December 31, 1951	0
Poor debtors discharged from June 30, 1951, to December 31, 1951	0
Escapes	0
Recaptures	0
Insane	25
Deaths	2

Respectfully submitted,
FREDERICK R. SULLIVAN,
Sheriff.

The report was accepted.

PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS OR OVERPASS, WARD 19.

Coun. McCORMACK offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to construct a pedestrian underpass or overpass in the vicinity of the Archdale Road Housing Project which will connect Washington street with Hyde Park avenue, Ward 19.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Coun. COFFEY, for the Committee on Licenses, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Service Bus Line, Inc. (referred today) for license to operate motor vehicles on Saratoga street, St. Edward road, and Barnes avenue, East Boston—recommending that license be granted.

Report accepted; license granted under usual conditions.

CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD WISHES TO NEW CITY COUNCIL.

Coun. HANNON offered the following:

Resolved, That the members of this outgoing Council extend to the incoming members of the new Council congratulations and best wishes for a successful administration.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

GRADUATING CLASSES OF SCHOOLS.

Coun. COOK offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor take such steps as are advisable in connection with the City Council, School Committee, Chamber of Commerce, labor leaders, and others to arrange for periodic visits by graduating classes of our high schools, public, parochial, and private, within the City of Boston, to the end that they shall see, learn, and understand the workings of the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INCREASED AID TO WELFARE RECIPIENTS.

Coun. WENZLER offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to grant an immediate increase in aid to welfare recipients due to the high cost of living.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Coun. McCOLGAN, for the Committee on Claims, submitted the following:

Report on petition of Charles J. McCoy (referred December 3, 1951) to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred thirty dollars ($130) be allowed and paid to Charles J. McCoy in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of William A. Cohen (referred December 17, 1951) to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as member of Police Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two hundred ninety-six dollars and twenty-five cents ($296.25) be allowed and paid to William A. Cohen in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of Richard W. Kennedy (referred December 17, 1951) to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as member of Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two thousand fifty dollars ($2,050) be allowed and paid to Richard W. Kennedy in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as member of Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS FOR 1951.

Coun. McCOLGAN submitted the following:

The Committee on Claims respectfully submits the following report, showing the disposition of claims against the city during the municipal year 1951:

Claims pending January 1, 1951	1,165	
Claims received during 1951	896	
		2,061
Claims approved during 1951	284	
Claims disapproved during 1951	361	
Reimbursements (claims against city employees—not suits)	98	
Reimbursements (claims against city employees—suits)	33	
		776
Claims pending January 1, 1952		1,285
Amount paid on approved claims	$57,947 35	
Amount paid on reimbursements—not suits	10,178 96	
Amount paid on reimbursements—suits	9,741 14	
Total amount paid during 1951	$77,867 45	

For the Committee:
JOHN J. McCOLGAN,
Chairman.

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. RAMSEY, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

Report on order (referred May 7, 1951) re establishing of rules, regulations, and fees for open-air parking spaces—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

REMOVAL OF TREES, WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to remove the trees along the main highway in Ward 17, mainly, Washington street from Bowdoin street to Talbot avenue, so that the safety and lives of the pedestrians may be insured. These trees cause the street to become a dark and hazardous highway; consequently, several lives have been lost.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

BETTER LIGHTING ON WASHINGTON STREET, WARD 17.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the feasibility of placing more electric lights along Washington street, from Bowdoin street to Talbot avenue, and also to study the feasibility of increasing the voltage of these lights so that fewer lives will be lost on this hazardous highway.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

COMMENDATION OF DR. PELTON.

Coun. FARIN offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council in meeting assembled go on record as complimenting Dr. Pelton for his efficient work and his desire to improve the hospital system in the City of Boston, especially during the illness of Dr. Manary.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

POLICEWOMEN FOR CERTAIN TRAFFIC DUTY.

Coun. SHANLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to study the advisability of appointing uniformed policewomen to take care of the traffic intersections in the outlying districts of the City of Boston for the protection of the school children.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PRESENTATION OF GAVEL TO PRESIDENT HURLEY.

Coun. ANSEL, in behalf of the Council members, presented to President HURLEY a mahogany gavel and stand in appreciation of his service as President of the Council for the year 1951. President HURLEY expressed his thanks and his appreciation of the consideration and cooperation throughout the year of the Council members, Council attachés, and members of the press. (Applause.)

COMMENDATION OF DR. O'CONNELL.

Coun. BRYAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council extends its sincere thanks to Dr. M. Winthrop O'Connell and highly compliments him for the splendid work which he has done at the City Hospital, especially during the recent illness of Dr. James W. Manary, Superintendent.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned, sine die, at 12.06 P.M., on motion of Councilor Coffey.

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